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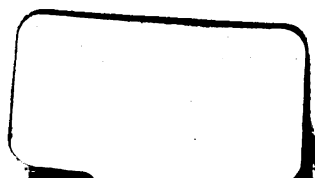
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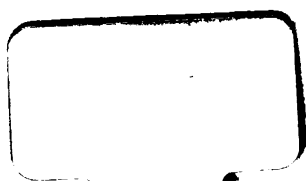
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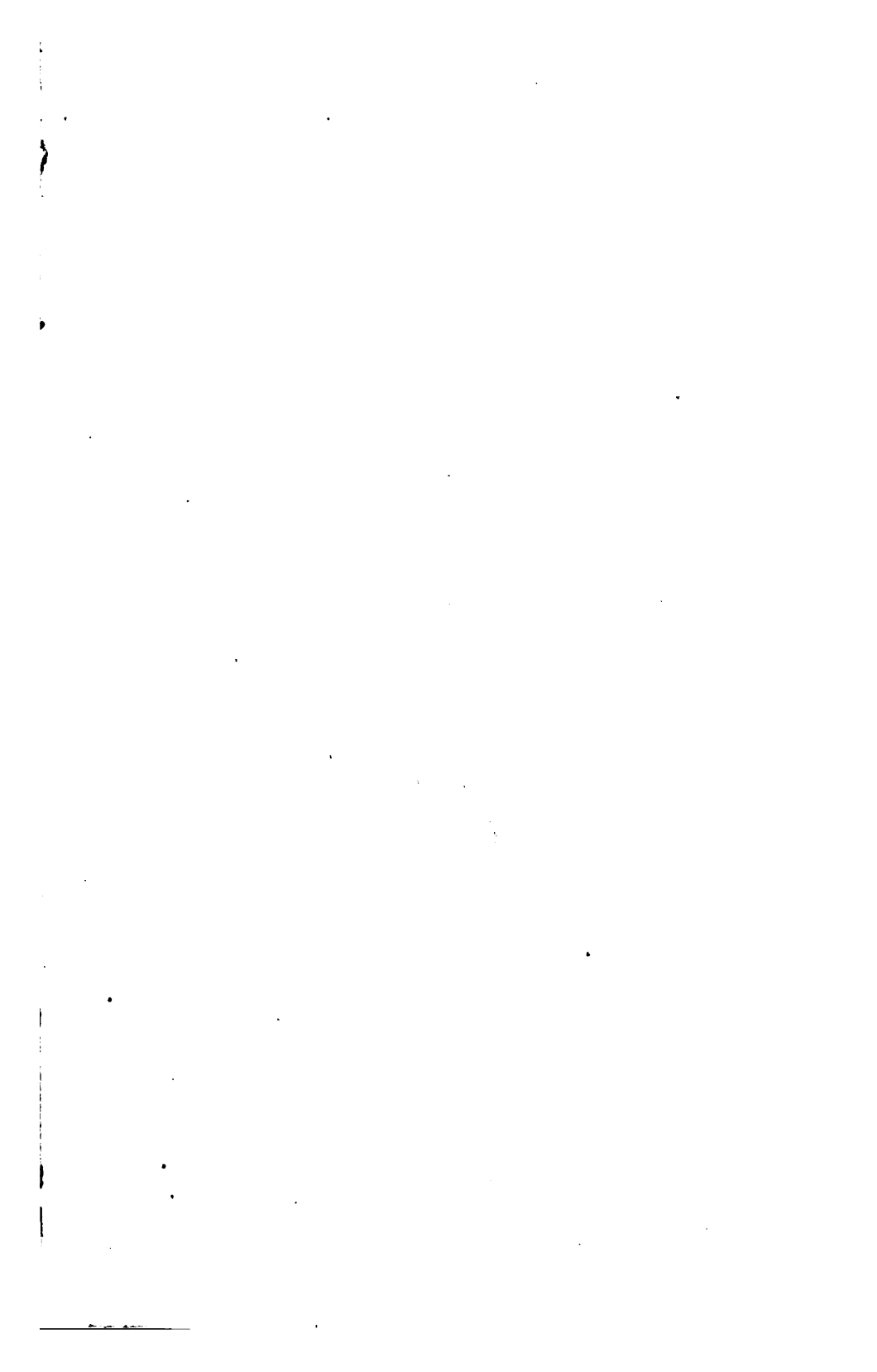
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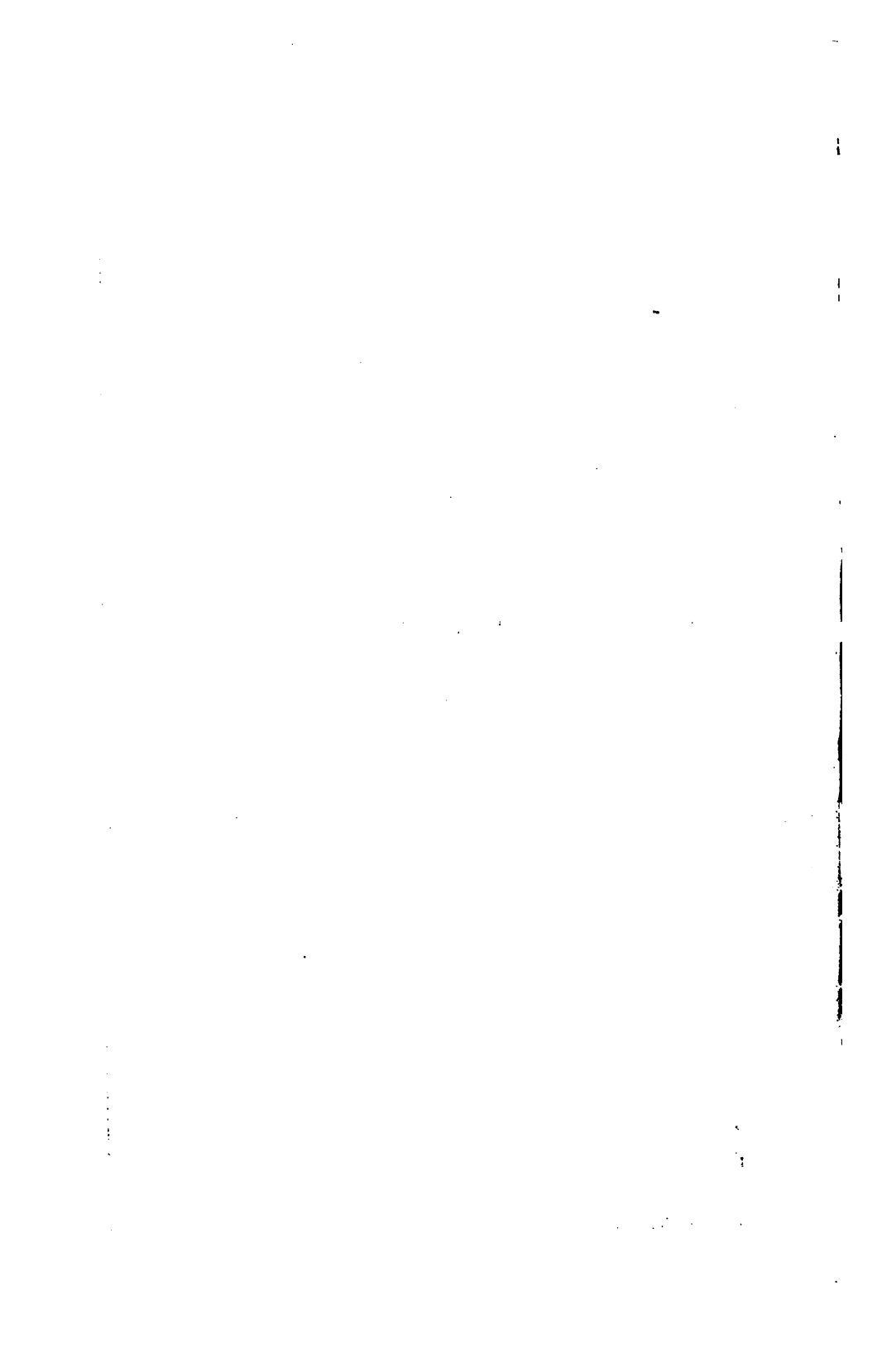
SENATOR FROM THE TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

WHO DIED AT HIS HOME IN LANSING,

MAY 4TH, 1872,

AGED 45 YEARS.

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JOURNAL
OF THE
SENATE OF MICHIGAN,
SITTING AS A COURT OF IMPEACHMENT FOR THE
TRIAL OF CHARLES A. EDMONDS,
Commissioner of the State Land Office.

Lansing, Thursday, April 11, 1872.

At the hour of 12 o'clock noon of this day, and immediately after the final adjournment of the Legislature, the Senate of the State of Michigan, pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution of the State, and an act of the Legislature thereof, approved March, 30, 1872, convened for the trial of Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the Land Office, who has been impeached at the bar of the Senate for crimes and misdemeanors, and corrupt conduct in office.

The oath required by law was administered to the Hon. Philip H. Emerson, President *pro tem.* of the Senate, by the Secretary.

The Secretary called the roll alphabetically, and the President *pro tem.* administered the oath to the following Senators:

Senators Alexander, Ball, Barber, Begole, Briggs, Brownell, Cawley, Cravath, Dexter, Gay, Hannabs, Jenks, Mann, Moffatt, Price, Prutzman, Putnam, Randall, Romeyn, Sheley, Stoddard, Waterbury, Wheeler, Wood.

The President *pro tem.* announced that all the Senators present having taken the oath prescribed by law, the Senate

was duly organized as a Court of Impeachment, for the trial of Charles A. Edmonds.

On motion of Mr. Moffatt,

Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed to notify the managers on the part of the House of Representatives, that the Senate is now organized for the purpose of proceeding to the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds.

The President *pro tem.* announced as such committee, Senators Moffatt, Wheeler, and Romeyn.

Mr. Cravath moved that the rules adopted by the Senate for the procedure and practice in trials of impeachment, be adopted by the Senate sitting as a court for the trial of Charles A. Edmonds.

Mr. Wheeler called for the yeas and nays.

The motion prevailed, by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Gay,	Mr. Randall,
Ball,	Hannahs,	Romeyn,
Barber,	Jenks,	Sheley,
Begole,	Mann,	Stoddard,
Briggs,	Moffatt,	Waterbury,
Brownell,	Price,	Wheeler,
Cawley,	Prutzman,	Wood,
Cravath,	Putnam,	President
Dexter,		<i>pro tem.</i> 25

NAYS.

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On motion of Mr. Jenks,

The Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate met, and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

Roll called: a quorum present.

Mr. Romeyn announced that Senator Neasmith was present and desired to take the oath prescribed by law.

Senator Neasmith came forward and the President *pro tem* administered to him the oath prescribed by law.

Mr. Price asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Morton for an indefinite time.

Mr. Moffatt, from the committee appointed to notify the managers on the part of the House to conduct the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, that the Senate is now organized for the trial of said Charles A. Edmonds, reported the duty performed.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Hon. I. R. Grosvenor, Hon. B. W. Huston, jr., and Hon. Lyman Cochrane, managers aforesaid.

The President *pro tem.* requested the managers to take seats assigned them within the bar of the Senate.

Mr. Grosvenor, on the part of the managers, announced that they were ready to exhibit on the part of the House of Representatives, articles of impeachment against Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office.

The President *pro tem.* directed the Sergeant-at-Arms to make proclamation, and

The Sergeant-at-Arms having made proclamation in the following words:

“Hear ye! Hear ye! Hear ye! All persons are commanded to keep silence on pain of imprisonment, while the House Representatives is exhibiting to the Senate of the State of Michigan articles of impeachment against Charles A. Edmonds,”

The managers, through Mr. Grosvenor, their chairman, read the following articles of impeachment:

ARTICLES exhibited on behalf of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, and in the name of the People of the State of Michigan, against Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, in maintenance and support of their impeachment against him for corrupt conduct in office, and for crimes and misdemeanors.

ARTICLE I.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the Land Office of the State of Michigan, on the fourth day of January, 1871, and on divers other days and times, between that day and the time when said House of Representatives passed the resolution of impeachment against him, to wit: the 28th day of March, 1872, unmindful of the high duties of his office, of his oath of office, and of the requirements of the constitution and the laws of this State, did corruptly, unlawfully, and in violation of the constitution and laws of this State, withhold from sale divers large tracts of land for the particular benefit and advantage of certain land dealers, and for a private pecuniary consideration to himself, his deputy and clerks, to the damage and inconvenience of the actual settlers, other dealers, and the people of the State generally; and the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, was in this manner then and there guilty of corrupt conduct in office, and did commit a misdemeanor in office.

ARTICLE II.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of said State Land Office, on divers days and times, between the time of assuming the duties of his office, to-wit: about the fourth day of January, 1871, and the day of the passage of the said resolution of impeachment, the basis of these articles, unmindful of the high duties of his office, of his oath of office, and in violation of the constitution and laws of the State of Michigan, and contrary to the provisions of an act entitled "An act to prevent officers and clerks in the State Land Office, and in Auditor General's Office, from purchasing lands while in

the employ of the State," approved March 16, 1861, did corruptly, unlawfully, by himself, and with his deputy, and also with his clerks in said office, directly and indirectly engage in the purchase of lands from the State, and for sale in the Land Office of this State, of which he was chief.

And the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, was thus, then, and there guilty of corrupt conduct in office, and did commit a high misdemeanor in office.

ARTICLE III.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of said State Land Office, unmindful of the duties of his office, and his oath of office, having knowledge that large numbers of actual settlers to whom licenses had been issued in pursuance of act No. 108, session laws of 1861, being an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to provide for the settlement and drainage of the swamp lands by actual settlers, being act No. 229, laws of 1859,'" were in possession of their lands under their said licenses, and had been in possession thereof for a long time, and made valuable improvements thereon, and complied with the laws of this State in regard to licensing lands to actual settlers fully, except filing with the Commissioner of the Land Office the proofs of settlement and occupancy, required by section four of said act No. 108, laws of 1861, and he, the said Edmonds, being acquainted with the practice in said office ever since the passage of said act No. 108, laws of 1861, to withhold from sale such licensed lands, except in cases where proofs by the affidavit of two credible witnesses was filed, showing non-settlement and abandonment by the licensee, did corruptly, and for the purpose of pecuniary gain to himself, his deputy and clerks, about the month of October, 1871, decide that such lands were subject to sale without such proof of non-settlement or abandonment, as had been the practice of said office, and he, the said Charles A. Edmonds, did then and there, by himself, his deputy, and

clerks, corruptly, and for the purpose of securing gain as aforesaid, furnish to divers persons the description of such licensed lands, when the proofs of settlement and occupancy had not been filed in accordance with said section four aforesaid, which said persons purchased said lands, and to whom said Commissioner issued patents, whereby a gross fraud was practiced upon such actual settlers, and large profits and gains made, in which said Edmonds, his deputy, and clerks, were interested.

And said Edmonds, being so unmindful of his duty and oath of office, and the policy of the State to protect the actual settlers, has corruptly furnished and permitted his deputy and clerks corruptly to furnish such descriptions of licensed lands to divers persons, on divers days and times, since the decision aforesaid, and before the passage of the resolution of impeachment by the House of Representatives, which said persons purchased said descriptions, to whom patents were issued by said Commissioner, he, said Commissioner, his deputy, and clerks being indirectly interested therein.

And the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, was thus, then, and there guilty of corrupt conduct in office, and did commit a misdemeanor in office.

ARTICLE IV.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, unmindful of the high and responsible duties of his office, and of his oath of office, on the first day of June, 1871, in the said Land Office, at Lansing, in the county of Ingham, and on divers other days and times during his official term at Lansing, aforesaid, did unlawfully conspire with one William G. Patrick, and divers other persons unknown, fraudulently to withhold from sale, and mark, or cause to be marked, as sold, large quantities of State lands, for the benefit of said conspirators, in fraud of other *bona fide* purchasers and settlers,

with the intent to cheat and defraud such *bona fide* purchasers and actual settlers, and all others who might wish to purchase the same.

And in pursuance of said conspiracy the said Charles A. Edmonds did mark, or cause to be marked, in said office, on the plat books thereof, as sold, large tracts of land that were not sold, by which Edmonds, his deputy, and clerks in office corruptly received large sums of money, and said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, was guilty of corrupt conduct in office, a violation of his oath of office, and a great fraud upon the people of this State.

ARTICLE V.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the said State Land Office, from time to time, from the commencement of his official term in January, 1871, to the time of the passage of the resolution of impeachment in this case, to wit: the 28th of March, 1872, unmindful of the high duties of his office, in violation of his official duties, his oath of office, and the laws of this State, did, in his office, and with his deputy in office, and in his official time, so engage in, and carry on the purchase and sale of swamp land "scrip" (so-called), as to operate in fraud of, and to the damage of the primary school fund, the several counties of this State, and of the treasury of the State,

And the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, was in this manner then and there guilty of corrupt conduct in office, and did commit a misdemeanor in office.

ARTICLE VI.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, during his official term as such commissioner, to wit: From about the first day of January, 1871, to the 28th day of March, 1872, unmindful of the high and responsible

duties of his office, of his oath of office, and disregarding the rights of the people of this State, and for the corrupt and unlawful purpose of personal benefit and gain, did appoint and keep in his office, as clerks, certain men of dissolute habits and character, and unworthy the high trust and confidence necessarily required of men in their positions, and did, also, allow his clerks in office, in violation of the laws of this State, to purchase, directly, and indirectly, from the State, lands for sale in said Land Office, and to be interested in purchases made in the name of others, directly and indirectly, and to traffic, and corruptly sell and get unlawful gain, in the sale of valuable information contained in such office, within their knowledge as such clerks, and to act as the agents, for reward, of certain land dealers, in entering land, thus giving such dealers an undue advantage over others seeking the entry of lands at said office.

And the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, was thus then and there, guilty of corrupt conduct in office, and did commit a misdemeanor in office.

ARTICLE VII.

That the said Charles A. Edmonds, being a public officer of the State of Michigan, through whose hands public moneys pass, to wit: the Commissioner of the Land Office as aforesaid, has at divers times during the present term of his said office, and as such officer, received moneys current by the laws of the United States as money in payment for certain lands belonging to the State of Michigan, and has corruptly, and in violation of the laws of this State, and especially in violation of section two hundred and thirty-four of the compiled laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, converted or changed said moneys into swamp land scrip, so-called, retaining said moneys for his own use and benefit, in whole or in part, and entering said lands, in payment for which he had received said moneys as purchased and paid for by said scrip, and has not deposited or

turned over to the proper officer of the State said moneys, so received in purchase of said lands.

By reason whereof the said Charles A. Edmonds has committed a crime against the laws of this State, and is guilty of misconduct in office.

ARTICLE VIII.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, unmindful of the dignity and high duties of this office, and of the wholesome requirements of the laws of the State, on or about the first day of March, 1872, at the city of Lansing, the Capital of this State, contriving and intending to debauch and corrupt the morals, as well of youth as of others, good citizens of this State, did, at the time and place aforesaid, and at other times and in other places in this State, unlawfully, wickedly, maliciously, and scandalously publish, circulate, and distribute, or cause to be published, circulated, and distributed, a certain anonymous and obscene printed paper entitled "Every Wednesday Night," containing impure, scandalous, and obscene matters, language, and description, manifestly unbecoming the dignity of his office, a scandal in the community, and tending to the corruption of the morals of youth, and other good citizens of this State, and to the evil example of all others, and in violation of the laws of the State, and against the peace and dignity of the people of this State.

And the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, did thus, then, and there commit, and was guilty of a misdemeanor, contrary to the form of the statute, and against the peace and dignity of the people of the State of Michigan.

ARTICLE IX.

That the said Charles A. Edmonds did during the months of March or April last past, and while he was such Commissioner of said Land Office, knowingly, willfully, and maliciously,

at Laporte, in the State of Indiana, and elsewhere in the United States, deposit or cause to be deposited, in the postoffice at said Laporte, and in the several postoffices at other places in the United States, for mailing, or for delivery from said postoffice or postoffices, a certain obscene print or publication in the form of newspapers, and entitled *Every Wednesday Night*, knowing the same to be of a vulgar and indecent character, in violation of the laws of the United States, and especially of a statute of the United States entitled "An act relating to the postal laws," approved March 3, 1865.

By which act of depositing, or causing to be deposited said print or publication, in said postoffice at said Laporte and elsewhere, he, the said Charles A. Edmonds, did commit a crime against the laws of the United States.

ARTICLE X.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, unmindful of the dignity of his office, his duties, his oath of office, and the requirements of the laws of this State, at divers times during his official term as such Commissioner, since the fifth day of July, 1871, at the city of Lansing, and in other places within this State, has been drunk, or so affected by his drinking of intoxicating liquors, as to disgrace his office and unfit him for the discharge of his official duties; and the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, did thus and then and there show good cause for his removal of office, under the provisions of an act entitled "An act to subject all persons holding office under the government of the State of Michigan to removal from office for drunkenness," approved April 5, 1871.

ARTICLE XI.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, unmindful of the dignity, high duties, and position of his office, and of the laws of this State, and the wholesome requirements of the laws of decency and morality,

did, on or about the tenth day of October, 1871, at the city of Lansing, situated in the county of Ingham, at the Lansing House, commit adultery with a female whose name is unknown, he, the said Edmonds, then and there being a married man; and did also since he entered upon the duties of his said office, at divers other times and places in said Lansing, commit further and other adulteries, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the people of this State.

And the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, did thus, then, and there commit, and was guilty of a crime, contrary to the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the people of the State of Michigan.

And the managers elected by the House of Representatives under and by virtue of the constitution of this State, and authorized by the said constitution and the laws of this State to manage, on behalf of said House, the trial of the impeachment of said Charles A. Edmonds, by protestation, saving to themselves the liberty of exhibiting at any time hereafter any further articles or other accusation under the said resolution of the House of Representatives for the impeachment of the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the Land Office; and also of replying to his answer which he may make unto these articles herein preferred against him, and offering proof to the same and every part thereof, and to all and every other article or accusation which shall be exhibited by them on behalf of said House as the case shall require; do demand that Charles A. Edmonds may be put to answer the corrupt conduct in office and the crimes and misdemeanors herein charged against him, and that such proceedings, examination, trial, and judgment may be thereupon had and given as may be agreeable to law and justice.

I. R. GROSVENOR,
LYMAN COCHRANE,
B. W. HUSTON, JR.,

Managers on behalf of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Grosvenor having concluded the reading of the articles of impeachment,

The President *pro tem.* informed the managers that the Senate would take proper order on the subject of the impeachment, of which due notice would be given to the managers.

The managers, by their chairman, Mr. Grosvenor, then delivered the articles of impeachment at the table of the Secretary, and withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Cravath,

Ordered, that the Senate proceed to the election of two stenographic reporters.

On motion of Mr. Moffatt,

Ordered, that the vote be by ballot.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

Ordered, that the reporters be balloted for separately.

The President announced Senators Barber and Briggs as tellers.

On the first ballot, the whole number of votes cast was twenty-seven, of which

George F. Hitchcock received twenty-six votes ;

James W. King received one vote.

The President *pro tem.* announced that George F. Hitchcock, having received the highest number of votes, was duly elected.

On the second ballot, the whole number of votes cast was twenty-five, of which

H. F. Walch received twenty votes ;

James W. King received five votes.

The President *pro tem.* announced that H. F. Walch, having received the highest number of votes cast, was duly elected.

Mr. Romeyn offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That a summons be directed to issue in the form prescribed by the rules for the trial of the impeachment now pending, to be directed to Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, commanding him to be and appear

forthwith at the bar of the Senate of Michigan, there to answer unto the articles of impeachment this day exhibited before the Senate by the honorable managers elected for that purpose by the House of Representatives, said writ of summons to be accompanied by a copy of said articles, and the execution of the same to be committed to the Sergeant-at-Arms.

The resolution was adopted by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Hannahs,	Mr. Romeyn,
Ball,	Jenks,	Sheley,
Barber,	Mann,	Stoddard,
Begole,	Moffatt,	Waterbury,
Briggs,	Neasmith,	Wheeler,
Cawley,	Price,	Wood,
Cravath,	Prutzman,	President
Dexter,	Putnam,	<i>pro tem.</i>
Gay,	Randall,	25

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Mr. Romeyn offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate cause to be printed, in a form convenient for use, three hundred copies of the act regulating trials of impeachment, and of the rules adopted for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, now pending, together with the articles furnished.

Mr. Cravath moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words "three hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words "five hundred."

Mr. Jenks called for a division of the question.

The motion to strike out did not prevail.

The resolution was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Hannahs,	Mr. Romeyn,
Ball,	Jenks,	Sheley,
Barber,	Mann,	Stoddard,
Begole,	Moffatt,	Waterbury,
Briggs,	Neasmith,	Wheeler,
Cawley,	Price,	Wood,

Mr. Cravath,
Dexter,
Gay,

Mr. Prutzman,
Putnam,
Randall,

Mr. President
pro tem.
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NAYS.

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On motion of Mr. Cravath,

The Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Friday, April 12, 1872.

The President *pro tem.* announced that the hour of 10 o'clock A. M., to which the Senate stood adjourned, being the hour fixed for the sitting of the Senate for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, had arrived.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called: a quorum present.

The Secretary proceeded to the reading of the journal of yesterday, whereupon,

On motion of Mr. Moffatt,

Ordered, That the reading of the journal be dispensed with until further ordered.

Mr. Waterbury announced that Senator Storrs was present, and desired to take the oath prescribed by law.

Senator Storrs came forward, and the President *pro tem.* administered to him the oath prescribed by law.

The Secretary of the Senate then read the return to the summons, directed by the Senate as follows:

The foregoing writ of summons addressed to Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, and the foregoing precept addressed to me, were this day duly served on the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the Land Office, by delivering to, and leaving with him, true and

attested copies of the same, at his office in the city of Lansing, this 11th day of April, instant, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

HENRY SEYMOUR,

Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate.

LANSING, April 11, 1872.

The Sergeant-at-Arms came forward, took and subscribed the following oath :

"I, Henry Seymour, Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, do swear that the return made and subscribed by me upon the process issued on the 11th day of April, A. D. 1872, by the Senate of Michigan, against Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the Land Office, is truly made, and that I have performed said service therein prescribed. So help me God."

The Sergeant-at-Arms then called the accused in the form following :

"Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the Land Office! Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the Land Office, appear and answer the articles of impeachment exhibited against you by the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan."

On motion of Mr. Romeyn,

Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be directed to inform the accused that the Senate is now organized for the trial.

After a brief absence the Sergeant-at-Arms returned, and announced at the bar of the Senate Hon. Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the Land Office, and his counsel, John B. Shipman, Esq., and Jonas H. McGowan, Esq., who were conducted to seats assigned them.

Mr. Shipman asked that the appearance of Charles A. Edmonds, in person and by his counsel, John B. Shipman and Jonas H. McGowan, be entered.

It was so ordered.

Mr. Shipman, in behalf of the accused, submitted the following motion :

In the matter of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the Land Office:

We, the undersigned, counsel for the respondent, move the Court that the — day of May, next, be appointed as the day for the respondent to move, plead, answer, or demur to the said Articles of Impeachment, and submit to a trial upon the same.

JOHN B. SHIPMAN,
JONAS H. MCGOWAN,
Counsel for Respondent.

And in support thereof submitted the following affidavit:
The Senate of the State of Michigan, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, in the matter of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office:

County of Ingham—ss.

Charles A. Edmonds, being duly sworn, says that he is the respondent in the above matter.

That upon the evening of the 11th of April inst., he was served with a copy of the summons in said matter, and there for the first time saw a copy of the articles of impeachment against him, and knew what he had to meet upon the trial before the Senate. That he has heard the copy contained in the summons read, but that the same is so vague, and the charges and specifications in many and most of the articles so general, that they do not give him that information which he hoped and expected to receive therefrom. That these general charges, covering in many instances so large a period of time, but without directing him to any specific act or time definitely, throws upon him the necessity of a more extended preparation than he had hoped his defense would demand, requiring much more time than if the matters had been charged or described with sufficient certainty for him to have known what was meant, and where to direct his testimony.

That he did not succeed in obtaining a copy of the testimony taken by the committee in the House, until last Monday evening. That upon the evening of Wednesday, the 10th, two of his counsel saw such copy for the first time (as he is

informed and believes), but have not as yet read the whole of it. That one of his counsel, who is absent, has not seen the testimony, nor a copy of the articles mentioned, to deponent's knowledge or belief. That deponent has not yet had a consultation with his counsel when they were all together, and never, until the evening of the 11th inst. mentioned, has had the necessary documents, or information in regard to what he had to meet in the case, to make such a consultation of much moment, so far as arranging his defense is concerned. That he has done what he could, but he could do but little towards getting ready for trial with the uncertainty before him as to what he had to meet.

He further states that one of his counsel selected writes that unless the trial is postponed to a period as late as the middle of May, he cannot take part in the defense. That deponent verily believes that he cannot properly prepare his answer to the articles exhibited by the managers, and get ready for the trial before that time; and he is confident that it will not be in his power so to prepare for his defense that this honorable court can be made acquainted with the facts essential to a just decision of said cause, in less than the time mentioned.

And this deponent further says that he believes he has a full and complete defense to all matters alleged against him, upon the merits, and that he is anxious to proceed with the trial as soon as he can safely do so, and that this application for time to prepare his answer, procure the attendance of necessary witnesses, and make due and proper preparation for the trial, is not made for the purpose of delay, but only for the purpose of obtaining a full and fair hearing of the impeachment against him, on its real merits.

CHARLES A. EDMONDS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, April 12th, 1872.

H. D. BARTHOLOMEW,

Notary Public, Ingham County.

The motion was denied.

Mr. Ball offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the 23d day of April, A. D. 1872, at 10 o'clock A. M., shall be the day and time for receiving the answer, and proceeding with the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office.

Mr. Randall moved to amend the resolution by striking out the figures "23d" and inserting in place thereof the figures "30th."

The motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Mann,	Mr. Stoddard,	
Barber,	Neasmith,	Wood.	
Briggs,	Price,	President	
Cravath,	Prutzman,		<i>pro tem.</i>
Dexter,	Randall,		
Jenks,			14

NAYS.

Mr. Ball,	Mr. Moffatt,	Mr. Storrs,	
Begole,	Putnam,	Waterbury,	
Cawley,	Romeyn,	Wheeler,	
Gay,	Sheley,		11

The question recurring upon the resolution as amended, it was adopted by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Jenks,	Mr. Randall,	
Barber,	Mann,	Stoddard,	
Begole,	Neasmith,	Wood,	
Briggs,	Price,	President	
Cravath,	Prutzman,		<i>pro tem.</i>
Dexter,			15

NAYS.

Mr. Ball,	Mr. Putnam,	Mr. Storrs,	
Cawley,	Romeyn,	Waterbury,	
Gay,	Sheley,	Wheeler,	
Moffatt,			10

Mr. Manager Huston moved for an order that the Managers have leave to take depositions of such witnesses as may be out of the State, and whose attendance may not be procured by

the process of this court. Such depositions may be taken before any officer competent to administer oaths in the State where such depositions are taken.

The motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Gay,	Mr. Putnam,	
Ball,	Mann,	Romeyn,	
Begole,	Moffatt,	Sheley,	
Cawley,	Neasmith,	Waterbury,	
Dexter,			13

NAYS.

Mr. Barber,	Mr. Prutzman,	Mr. Wheeler,	
Briggs,	Randall,	Wood,	
Cravath,	Stoddard,	President	
Jenks,	Storrs,	<i>pro tem.</i>	
Price,			12

Mr. Randall moved to reconsider the vote by which the motion was agreed to ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Randall,

The motion was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

The Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, took a recess until half past one o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:30 o'clock P. M.

The Senate met, and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called : a quorum present.

Manager Grosvenor offered the following order :

Ordered, that either party be allowed to take the testimony of any person or persons, being or residing out of this State, before any officer or person in such other State authorized to administer oaths ; and such testimony shall be reduced to writing, signed by the witness, and duly certified by the officer or person taking the same, and returned by mail or otherwise,

sealed, to the Secretary of the Senate; and the same when so taken, certified, and returned, may be read in evidence on the trial of this case, with the like force and effect as if the witnesses examined were personally present; and the party so taking the same shall give the opposite counsel two days notice by mail, in writing, of the time, place, and name of the person or persons to be examined, when and where said counsel may appear and cross-examine said witness if they see fit, and such cross-examination shall at the same time, and in like manner, be taken, returned, and used in evidence as aforesaid.

On motion of Mr. Romeyn,

The order was adopted as a standing rule of the Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Mann,	Mr. Stoddard,
Ball,	Neasmith,	Storrs,
Barber,	Price,	Waterbury,
Begole,	Prutzman,	Wheeler,
Briggs,	Putnam,	Wood,
Cawley,	Randall,	President
Cravath,	Romeyn,	<i>pro tem.</i>
Dexter,	Sheley,	
Jenks,		

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NAYS.

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Mr. Briggs offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to order printed one thousand copies of the daily journals of the Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment for the trial of Charles A. Edmonds; and one thousand copies of the "Impeachment Proceedings," for the use of the Senate.

Mr. Wheeler moved to amend by striking the words "one thousand" wherever they occur;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Wood,

The blanks were filled with the words "five hundred."

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Wheeler offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the President of the Senate be, and he is hereby authorized to appoint four messenger boys to be employed in the Senate, sitting for the trial of an impeachment, whose compensation shall be two dollars per day each, and mileage at the rate of ten cents per mile coming from and returning to their places of residence by the ordinary traveled routes.

Mr. Waterbury moved to strike out the word "four," and insert in place thereof, the word "three;"

Which motion did not prevail.

The resolution was adopted, by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Jenks,	Mr. Sheley,
Ball,	Mann,	Storrs,
Begole,	Moffatt,	Wheeler,
Briggs,	Price,	Wood,
Cawley,	Putnam,	President
Cravath,	Randall,	<i>pro tem.</i>
Gay,	Romeyn,	19

NAYS.

Mr. Barber,	Mr. Neasmith,	Mr. Stoddard,
Dexter,	Prutzman,	Waterbury,
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Mr. Wheeler offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Henry Seymour be and he is hereby appointed Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, sitting for the trial of an impeachment, whose compensation shall be ——— dollars per day, and traveling expenses while serving process, and mileage at the rate of ten cents per mile coming from and returning to his place of residence by the ordinary traveled route; and the said Seymour is hereby authorized to appoint an Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, whose compensation shall be three dollars per day, and the same mileage and traveling expenses as the Sergeant-at-Arms, and two assistant Sergeants-at-Arms, to be designated by the Honorable Managers, whose duty it shall be to serve such processes as may be placed in their hands for such purpose, with like compensation as herein provided for the other assistants.

Mr. Ball moved to fill the blank with the word "five."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Wheeler moved to fill the blank with the word "four;"

Which motion prevailed.

The resolution, as amended, was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Jenks,	Mr. Sheley,
Ball,	Mann,	Stoddard,
Barber,	Moffatt,	Storrs,
Begole,	Neasmith,	Wheeler,
Briggs,	Price,	Wood,
Cawley,	Prutzman,	President
Cravath,	Putnam,	<i>pro tem.</i>
Dexter,	Randall,	
Gay,	Romeyn,	24

NAYS.

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Mr. Wheeler offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Bernard Rice be and he is hereby appointed fireman of the Senate, sitting for the trial of an impeachment, whose compensation shall be — dollars per day, and the same mileage as provided for members of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Sheley,

The blank in the resolution was filled with the word "three."

The resolution as amended was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Mann,	Mr. Sheley,
Ball,	Moffatt,	Stoddard,
Barber,	Neasmith,	Storrs,
Begole,	Price,	Wheeler,
Briggs,	Prutzman,	Wood,
Cawley,	Putnam,	President
Cravath,	Randall,	<i>pro tem.</i>
Dexter,	Romeyn,	
Gay,		23

NAYS.

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Mr. Wheeler offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the compensation of Henry S. Sleeper, Secretary of the Senate sitting for the trial of an impeachment, be and the same is hereby fixed at the sum of five dollars per day, and the same mileage as provided for the members of the Senate;

Which was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Jenks,	Mr. Sheley,
Ball,	Mann,	Stoddard,
Barber,	Moffatt,	Storrs,
Begole,	Neasmith,	Waterbury,
Briggs,	Price,	Wheeler,
Cawley,	Prutzman,	Wood,
Cravath,	Putnam,	President
Dexter,	Randall,	<i>pro tem.</i>
Gay,	Romeyn,	25

NAYS.

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The President *pro tem.* announced the following:

LANSING, April 12, 1872.

To the President of the Senate:

SIR—In accordance with the resolution of the Senate, I have this day appointed Charles T. Dickey, of Marshall, Henry Underwood, of Adrian, and James H. Baker, of Lansing, Assistant Sergeants-at-Arms.

HENRY SEYMOUR,

Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate.

Charles T. Dickey, Henry Underwood, and James H. Baker came forward, took and subscribed the required oath, and entered upon the discharge of their duties.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

The Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, adjourned until the 30th of April instant, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Lansing, Tuesday, April 30, 1872.

The President *pro tem.* announced that the hour of 10 o'clock A. M., to which the Senate stood adjourned, being the hour fixed for the sitting of the Senate for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, had arrived.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called : a quorum present.

Mr. Romeyn announced that Senators Bennett, White, and Wilcox were present and desired to take the oath prescribed by law. Senators Bennett, White, and Wilcox came forward and the prescribed oath was administered to them by the President *pro tem.*

Mr. Sheley asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Cravath for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Jenks asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Randall for an indefinite time.

Mr. Briggs asked and obtained leave of absence of Mr. Barber for the day.

Mr. Ball asked and obtained leave of absence for the Sergeant-at-Arms for an indefinite time.

On motion of Mr. Romeyn,

Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be directed to inform the accused that the Senate is now ready to proceed with the trial.

After a brief absence, the Sergeant-at-Arms returned and announced at the bar of the Senate Hon. Chas. A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the Land Office, and his counsel, John B. Shipman, Esq., and Jonas H. McGowan, Esq. who were conducted to seats assigned them.

Mr. Shipman, in behalf of the accused, submitted the following order :

In the Senate of the State of Michigan, sitting as a Court of Impeachment.

THE STATE OF MICHIGAN,

vs.

CHARLES A. EDMONDS,

Commissioner of the State Land Office:

Whereas, The House of Representatives have the sole power of impeaching civil officers; and

Whereas, It does not appear that the articles of impeachment presented against the respondent in this case have been agreed to or adopted by the House; but it does appear they were not; therefore,

On motion for counsel for respondent, it is

Ordered, That the said articles and these proceedings be dismissed, and the Senate take no further jurisdiction of the case.

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Jenks,

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem*.

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called: a quorum present.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the order presented by the counsel for the accused.

On motion of Mr. Moffatt,

Ordered, That the Senate chamber be closed while the Senate consider the order.

Mr. Moffatt moved that there be a call of the Senate;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Jenks moved that the further consideration of the order be postponed until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock ;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

The further consideration of the order was postponed until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Jenks,

The doors of the Senate were opened, and

The President *pro tem.* announced that the Senate had postponed the further consideration until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Sheley,

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Wednesday, May 1, 1872.

The President *pro tem.* announced that the hour of 9 o'clock A. M., to which the Senate stood adjourned, being the hour fixed for the sitting of the Senate for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, had arrived.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called: a quorum present.

Mr. Sheley announced that Senator Stockbridge was present and desired to take the oath prescribed by law.

Senator Stockbridge came forward, and the prescribed oath was administered to him by the President *pro tem.*

On motion of Mr. Moffatt, it was

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to order printed one thousand copies of the daily journal of the Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment for the trial of Charles A. Edmonds, and one thousand copies of the Impeachment Proceedings.

Mr. Ball offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That George F. Hitchcock of Kalamazoo, and Henry F. Walch of Grand Rapids, official stenographers to the Senate sitting as a Court of Impeachment for the trial of Charles A. Edmonds, receive as a full compensation for their services in reporting the trial, making a long-hand transcript of their notes for the printer, and attending to the reading of the proof, the sum of eighty cents per thousand ems for the printed matter, estimated as though set in solid type, contained in the impeachment proceedings; they to furnish all needful assistance either in reporting the case or in employing copyists:

Which was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Jenks,	Mr. Stockbridge,
Ball,	Mann,	Stoddard,
Begole,	Moffatt,	Storrs,
Bennett,	Neasmith,	Wheeler,
Briggs,	Price,	White,
Brownell,	Prutzman,	Wilcox,
Cawley,	Putnam,	President
Dexter,	Romeyn,	<i>pro tem.</i>
Gay,	Sheley,	
Hannahs,		

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NAYS.

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Mr. Brownell asked leave of absence for himself for an indefinite time.

Leave was not granted.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the order presented by the counsel for the accused.

On motion of Mr. Waterbury,

Ordered, That the Senate chamber be closed while the Senate consider the order.

The question being on the adoption of the order presented by the counsel for the accused,

It was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Brownell,

Mr. Hannahs,

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NAYS.

Mr. Ball,

Mr. Moffatt,

Mr. Storrs,

Begole,

Neasmith,

Waterbury,

Bennett,

Price,

Wheeler,

Briggs,

Prutzman,

White,

Dexter,

Putnam,

Wilcox,

Gay,

Romeyn,

President

Jenks,

Sheley,

pro tem.

Mann,

Stockbridge,

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Jenks moved that Mr. Alexander be excused from voting;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Ball moved that Messrs. Barber and Cawley be excused from voting;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Gay moved that Mr. Stoddard be excused from voting;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Moffatt,

The doors of the Senate were opened, and

The President *pro tem.* announced that the Senate had refused to agree to the order presented by counsel for the accused.

The President *pro tem.* then asked the counsel of the accused if they were ready to file answer to the articles of impeachment exhibited against him.

The counsel for the accused replied that they were now ready to make answer.

Thereupon,

The answer of the accused to the articles of impeachment was read by his counsel, in the following words, to wit:

In the Senate of the State of Michigan, sitting as a Court of Impeachment.

The answer of Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, to the articles of impeachment exhibited

against him by the Managers, in behalf of the House of Representatives :

This respondent, saving and reserving to himself all benefit of exception to the many errors and imperfections in the several articles and specifications in said articles contained, and not confessing any or either of them to be true, or admitting the authority of the Managers to exhibit the same on behalf of the House, but denying their right and protesting against their assumption of power in that behalf, and insisting that he is under no obligation to answer articles of impeachment which have never been adopted by the House of Representatives and which are not exhibited by them, or to submit to a trial thereon, and in no way waiving this objection, but reserving the right to urge the same at any and all times :

For answer to Article I, he says that he is not guilty of the offense therein charged against him, and he denies each and every allegation therein contained, and alleges the same in the manner and form therein charged, to be wholly false and untrue.

And further answering thereto, he says that his term of office commenced January 1st, 1871. That before that time divers tracts of land both great and small had been marked upon the books of the office as reserved to various individuals, and that these reserves so appeared upon the books when he took possession of the office. That he does not know whether such lands were reserved for the "particular benefit and advantage of certain land dealers" or not, as he was in no way a party thereto or connected therewith, and knows not how, or why, or when they were reserved, except that it was done before he came into the office ; but he denies, and stamps as wholly false and untrue, the charge in said article, that such or any lands were withheld "for a private pecuniary consideration" to this respondent, and states that he had no interest in them, or in their proceeds, or any expectation of being benefited pecuniarily or otherwise there-

by. That he is unable to state whether his then Deputy had any interest in such reserves or not, but if he had, that in obtaining the same, he took advantage of his position, and the confidence in him reposed by this respondent, to practice secretly and without the respondent's knowledge, that which he knew this respondent would not have permitted him to do if it came to his knowledge; but if he in fact did have, this respondent submits that he cannot be made to answer therefor. He further says, that some time after that, as he became better informed of matters in the office and his duties pertaining thereto, he was convinced that some of these reserves ought to be removed from the books and the practice changed, and he accordingly commenced the work of removing them therefrom, and has since then been laboring to the best of his ability to correct the books and the practice itself which seemed to have existed under former administrations, and to have been entailed upon the office, as well as to prevent the recurrence thereof. That at no time since he has been Commissioner, has he received any pecuniary or other benefit whatever for or on account of withholding lands from sale, directly or indirectly, nor does he expect to receive any, nor does he know that his present Deputy or any of his clerks have withheld lands from market for their own or other's benefit; and if they have (which he does not admit, but denies), it has been done without this respondent's knowledge or consent and in direct opposition to his instructions.

He further says that most of the reserves mentioned were for State road contractors or upon their orders, and it was a matter of great difficulty to ascertain which of them were good and ought to be withheld from sale and those which ought not to be, and that although the work has been vigorously prosecuted, the books are not yet entirely corrected.

For answer to Article II he says: That he is not guilty of the offense therein charged. He denies that he has ever, by himself or with his Deputy, or with his clerks, or with either

of them, directly or indirectly engaged "in the purchase of lands from the State" which were "for sale in the Land Office of this State, of which he was chief."

And he insists that the allegations and charges in the said article contained, are so vague, indefinite, and uncertain that he ought not to be called upon to answer the same, and this respondent excepts to the sufficiency of the said article, in this, that it is not alleged or stated therein what acts were done by him, or the time when such alleged purchases were made, or what pieces, or kind, or class of lands were purchased, and in that it does not designate, describe, or define any act whereby this respondent can understand or know what is imputed or charged against him. He denies that he is guilty of corrupt conduct in office, or that he did commit a high misdemeanor in office, as is charged in said article, or that the facts therein stated, in manner and form as the same are therein set forth, do constitute such offense.

For answer to Article III, he says: That by section one of act No. 229 of the Laws of 1859, the Commissioner of the Land Office was required to issue a certificate of purchase to every settler or occupant of swamp lands belonging to the State, in a subdivision of forty acres, whenever it should be made to appear to him that such settler or occupant had actually resided thereon for five continuous years, and had also drained the same as provided by the act of Congress by which such lands were conveyed to the State.

By section two, before such settler or occupant could acquire the right to occupy or drain such lands, as provided by section one, he was required to file with the Commissioner his application under oath, and obtain from him a license "to enter upon and occupy and drain said lands, for the purpose of obtaining title thereto."

By section three the applicant was required to make oath that he was not the owner of forty acres of land in any State

or Territory of the United States, to entitle him to the benefit of the act.

Section four provided that the license should contain a clause that the settler or occupant should not be authorized to cut any pine or other valuable timber unless to clear the land for cultivation, and then only so much as might be necessary to improve the same, and for a violation of these conditions he should be liable as a trespasser upon State lands.

This act contained no provision authorizing the Commissioner to sell the lands in case the applicant should obtain his license by falsehood, or without intending to reside upon or drain the land, or should not in fact settle upon it; nor did it reach cases where he originally intended to settle upon the land but abandoned the intention afterwards. This omission in the act could only result in many pieces of land being withheld from market under these licenses, which ought to have been subject to sale. To apparently supply this defect in the system, and require more proof on the part of the settler, the act No. 108 of the Laws of 1861 mentioned in said article was passed, section one giving the settler the right to license eighty instead of forty acres, and amending section four of the act of 1859, as follows:

"Sec. 4. And it is further provided that the license for settlement granted under this act shall contain a clause which shall expressly provide that the settler or occupant shall, within three months after the date of said license, file with the Commissioner of the Land Office, a certificate from the supervisor of the township in which the land is located, together with the affidavit of such settler that he is in the actual possession and occupancy of such land; * * * and it is further provided that if such settler shall not file his certificate and oath of settlement and occupancy, as above provided, * * * then his claim shall be deemed as void, and the Commissioner of the State Land Office shall, from and after said time, sell said lands the same as other

swamp lands, and this provision shall be inserted in the license for said lands."

In 1865 other safeguards were added by act No. 269, providing that any such licensed land should be subject to sale by the Commissioner after five years from the date of the license upon proof of non-settlement, and after ten years upon proof of abandonment by the licensee.

So that since the respondent has been in office he was required by the laws of 1861 to sell such licensed lands the same as other swamp lands, unless the settler should file the certificate of the supervisor of the township in which the land was located, together with his own affidavit, within three months after the date of his license, showing him to be in the actual possession and occupancy of the land; and by the laws of 1865 such lands were subject to sale notwithstanding the filing of such certificate and affidavit, after five years, upon proof of non-settlement, and after ten years, upon proof of abandonment by the licensee.

And this respondent respectfully submits that if a practice formerly existed in the Land Office to withhold such licensed lands from sale in favor of settlers where no proofs of settlement and occupancy required by the laws of 1861 had been filed, that the Commissioner would commit no offense in obeying the law instead of following a practice which disregarded it.

He further submits that the first and third articles are inconsistent and irreconcilable in this: That in the first it is in substance charged as an offense for the Commissioner to withhold from sale land without transgression of law, and in the third it is in substance charged as an offense to not withhold from sale land under the same circumstances, and that the Managers "in behalf of the House" ought not to be heard when they allege things contradictory.

And further answering thereto, this respondent denies that he had any knowledge whatever as to whether the settlers

referred to were or were not in possession of the lands mentioned in their licenses, or whether they ever had been in possession of such lands under the licenses or otherwise, or whether they had made any improvements on their lands, except as shown by the records of his office, and not in those cases except where his attention was specially called to them; that his home is in the southern part of the State, distant from where this class of lands lie; and he has never had any personal knowledge of land occupied or claimed by a settler, nor information about any such lands except in the ordinary course of business in the office; and that all and each and every statement, allegation, or intimation to the contrary in said article are untrue.

He denies that he has or ever had any interest, directly or indirectly, in such lands, or that he ever made a profit large or small out of them, or for any information furnished about them, or expects to receive any benefit or advantage therefrom. That he has furnished to no one descriptions of licensed land "for the purpose of securing gain" to himself, his Deputy, or clerks, and that all and every charge or intimation that he has done so, in the article mentioned, are false and untrue. That if his Deputy or any of his clerks have furnished any such information for any gain, it was done without his knowledge or consent and against his positive orders.

And touching the practice of withholding licensed land from sale, the respondent says he was not acquainted with the practice of the office under the law of 1861, except as it came to his knowledge upon examination of the records and files of the office, and he then found that the practice in this as well as in other matters had not been uniform, and that he was unable to ascertain any settled rule existing about it. That he then himself examined the law, not unmindful of "the policy of the State to protect the actual settlers," as that policy was indicated by the laws made for his guidance. That the licenses used, and under which the lands were held, contained

the clause required by the law of 1861, in regard to filing proof of settlement and occupancy within three months after the date of the license, and this respondent could find no room for the exercise of a discretion on the part of the Commissioner to shield the settler from the consequence of his non-compliance with this law if the land should be applied for by another party; and he therefore did decide that such lands were, in the absence of such proof, subject to sale, not only in October last, but long before that time. That he made such decision in the utmost good faith, and while he did so reluctantly, he had no doubt of its correctness, and that his confidence in the position then taken has been in no degree shaken since. That the only discretion left in the Commissioner, or which the law would allow him to exercise, was to permit the settler to make the proof of possession and occupancy at any time before the land should be actually applied for by other parties, and even this seemed a somewhat forced construction of the act in favor of the settler; but it has always been acted upon as the rule of the office in such cases by this respondent. And he respectfully submits to this Honorable Court that his said decision was and is correct under the law, and that he went so far as the law would permit him to go in favor of the settler.

He denies absolutely that such decision was made corruptly, or for the purpose of gain, or in any way influenced by the hope or expectation of pecuniary gain or other advantage to himself, his Deputy, or any of his clerks, and that all such charges or intimations, whether directly or indirectly made against him in said article, are pure fabrications, and false in every particular.

And in regard to furnishing descriptions of licensed lands "to divers persons on divers days and times since the decision aforesaid," charged in said article, he further says: That by section 1 of act No. 66 of the Laws of 1869, the Commissioner of the State Land Office is "authorized and required, on application of any person, and on payment by such person of

the fees allowed by law, to make and deliver to such person a true copy of any field-notes, maps, records, or papers in his office, appertaining to land titles or to the original surveys of any of the lands in this State." Section two of the act fixes the prices or fees to be charged therefor; and section three requires the fees received for such services to be paid into the State Treasury and credited to the general fund.

That in obedience to this law, this respondent has, by his Deputy or clerks, furnished all parties such information in his office appertaining to land titles as they might require, without distinction of persons or discrimination as to the class of lands about which such information was asked. That he did not consider it his duty or right to refuse such information to any one legally applying therefor, or to inquire why or for what purpose such information was required or might be used. That he has never personally attended to this part of the office business, and has no personal knowledge of any particular case, but he knows that such was the general practice of the office, and will continue to be so long as he is Commissioner, unless the law is changed. That he does not doubt that his clerks have furnished "divers persons on divers days and times" descriptions of lands, both licensed and not licensed, as well as other information in his office appertaining to them, and he presumes that some of the persons obtaining the same purchased the lands or part of them, and patents were issued therefor, the fees received for such services being paid into the State Treasury as required by law. But he denies that he corruptly furnished such information or corruptly permitted his clerks to furnish it. He denies that he was interested directly or indirectly in such lands, or in any piece, part, or the smallest fraction of any piece or part of them, or in the information furnished about them. He denies that any improper information was furnished in regard to them, or that his office contains information which is improper, or which all persons have not a right to obtain upon proper application therefor. He denies that he

can be held responsible for the use or abuse of information so obtained from the records and papers in his office. And he states that each, and all, and every averment or intimation in said article that he had, directly or indirectly, any interest in such lands, or in the information obtained about them, or that he received or expected to receive any consideration or benefit therefor or therefrom, directly or indirectly, are without any foundation whatever and wholly false.

Wherefore this respondent denies that he was guilty of corrupt conduct in office, or that he was guilty of or did commit a misdemeanor in office, as charged in said article.

For answer to Article IV, he says: That he is not guilty of the offense therein charged.

He denies that he conspired with the said William G. Patrick, or other persons known or unknown, fraudulently to withhold from sale, and mark or cause to be marked as sold, large quantities, or any quantity whatever, of State lands, for the benefit of, or in fraud of, any one, or with the intent to cheat or defraud *bona fide* purchasers, settlers, or others. And he denies each and every allegation in said article. He denies conspiring with any one to withhold land from sale. He denies withholding land from sale; denies marking or causing to be marked as sold on the plat books in his office, for the benefit of himself or any one else, any lands that were not sold; denies receiving by himself, Deputy, or clerks, or from any other source, any money or other thing therefor; denies that his Deputy or clerks, or any or either of them, have received or ever will or can receive any money or other thing of value for or on account of this respondent's withholding land from sale, or for his marking or causing to be marked on the plat books of the office as sold, lands that were not sold, for the benefit of any one. And that said article is false in every particular, and as a whole. That the said Patrick is a stranger to him, and he has no recollection of ever seeing him.

Wherefore he denies that he did on the first day of June, or

on any other day or time, commit or was guilty of corrupt conduct in office, as alleged in said article.

For answer to Article V, he says: He admits that from the commencement of his official term in January, 1871, he has, with his Deputy, been engaged in the purchase and sale of swamp land scrip, but not in any way so as to interfere with the due performance of his official duties; that it was the custom and practice of his immediate predecessors, as well as of all former incumbents of the office, to buy and sell such scrip, as this respondent was informed by his Deputy upon assuming charge of the office, and upon whom he then relied for information in matters relating to the customs of the office and its former practices; that he then and still believes such business to be a legal and lawful business for the Commissioner to engage in.

But he denies that he so engaged and carried it on as to operate in fraud, and "to the damage of the primary school fund, the several counties of the State, and of the Treasury of the State;" denies that any and all substantive matter in the said articles contained, in manner and form as the same are therein stated and set forth, do, by law, constitute corrupt conduct in office, or a misdemeanor in office.

Further answering thereto, he says the said article does not name, designate, describe, or define any act done or mode or means used by this respondent whereby he can know or understand what act, or mode, or form of attempt, device, contrivance, or means are imputed to or charged against this respondent in his office of Commissioner of the Land Office, whereby he can more fully or definitely answer the said article than he hereby does; and for the reason aforesaid he excepts to the sufficiency of said article.

Wherefore he denies that he was guilty of corrupt conduct in office, or did commit a misdemeanor in office, as charged in said article.

For answer to Article VI, he says: That when he entered upon the duties of his office, in January, 1871, mindful of the

high and responsible position in which he was placed, he sought to employ in his office, as clerks, men worthy of the place, to the end that the business of the office might be properly done, and the interests of the State cared for and protected. That the selection of such men is necessarily a matter of difficulty, the best judges, at times, making mistakes in the character, qualifications, and stability of the men they select. That he retained all the clerks then in the office, on the recommendation of his predecessor. That upon examining the condition of the books and work which ought to be done in the office to get it in the condition it should be, he found additional clerks must be employed. That in the selection of new clerks he endeavored faithfully to select those, and only those, who were honest and capable of performing the required work in the office in a satisfactory manner, and while he may have misjudged the candidates applying, as have other men, in like positions, he protests that he cannot and ought not to be held liable for such mistakes, if any were, in fact, made.

He further says that the clerks whom he supposes the "Managers on behalf of the House" refer to in said article as "certain men of dissolute habits and character," had, previous to their employment in the office, occupied positions of honor and trust in the county where they had for many years resided, sustaining themselves well, and giving general satisfaction. That their character and standing in the community where they had long been known was good, and their social relations and positions of the most unexceptionable kind, and the respondent knew of no reason why they were not in every way "worthy of the high trust and confidence necessarily required of men in their positions." That so far as their duties in the office are concerned, he knows they were capable and efficient, and whatever their private life may have been, he denies that he can be held responsible for it. He denies that he ever appointed or kept in his office as clerk, any one,

with good or bad habits, "for the corrupt and unlawful purpose of personal benefit and gain," as charged in said article, or that he ever received or expects to receive, from them or from any one, a "personal benefit or gain," by reason of the employment of any clerk in his office, and that such statement, in the manner and form as charged in said articles, is wholly devoid of truth.

And with reference to allowing his clerks to purchase lands for sale in the Land Office, or to be interested in purchases made in the name of others, and to act as agents for reward for land dealers in entering land, he says that if any of his clerks did purchase such lands, or were interested, directly or indirectly, in purchases made in the name of others, or did act as agents for others, as charged in said article, they did so secretly and clandestinely, without the knowledge or consent of this respondent, and against his orders, and knowing that all such practices were prohibited by him and would not be permitted if they came to his knowledge—and he denies that he can be held responsible for them, or that he thereby committed any offense whatever.

And as to his clerks selling "valuable information contained in such office," he answers that all information contained in the office is public property, and for sale under Act No. 66 of the Laws of 1869, to any person applying and paying the legal fees therefor, but that if they sold the same corruptly and thereby got "unlawful gain," he did not then, and does not now know it, and they did it without his authority, knowledge, or consent.

And further answering, he says, that after becoming acquainted somewhat with the business of the office, and the temptations thrown in the way of clerks to act as agents for outsiders, besides his verbal orders, he, about the first of July, 1871, caused to be printed rules for the government of the office, of which this is a copy :

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE STATE LAND OFFICE—FOR
THE INFORMATION OF EMPLOYEES ONLY.

Office hours from 8 A. M. to 12 M., and from 1½ P. M. to 5 P. M.

Clerks will be at their posts *promptly*, and devote their time, during office hours, *exclusively to office business*.

Any information sought will be cheerfully given, and all business matters carefully attended to, by the Commissioner or Deputy; but no employe in the office will be allowed to act as agent for other parties, or transact any business in the office, except in the regular discharge of his duties.

Habitual and loud conversation must not be indulged in.

Smoking in the office is prohibited.

Leave of absence, not to exceed four weeks in any one year, will be granted to clerks, at such times as will least interfere with the business of the office.

CHAS. A. EDMONDS,
Commissioner.

A copy of these rules was given to each of the clerks in the office and the same were caused to be posted in the office for the information of all his employes, where they yet remain; and that if such rules, or the verbal instructions mentioned, have been violated by the clerks in his office, this respondent had no knowledge of the fact, and he submits he is not in this proceeding responsible therefor.

And he denies that by reason of any matter in said article contained he was guilty of corrupt conduct in office or did commit a misdemeanor in office. And also denies that any and all matters in the said article contained, in manner and form as the same are therein stated and set forth, do constitute corrupt conduct in office, or a misdemeanor in office, within the true intent and meaning of the Constitution of this State.

And he here excepts to the sufficiency of the allegations contained in said article, and states for ground of exception that it is not stated or alleged therein that this respondent had any knowledge of the alleged corrupt conduct of his clerks.

And for answer to Article VII, this respondent says: That upon taking possession of the office, in January, 1871, he was

not well enough informed of its duties and the manner in which the business of the office had been or should be done, to not depend upon others. That he appointed for his Deputy one who had been in the office for many years, and was well recommended for the position by his immediate predecessor, under whom he had served, supposing him to be familiar with its duties and the practice of the former Commissioners, and a person whom he could trust to manage it until he should himself learn its duties; and, for the first few months of his term, he was compelled to and did trust to his Deputy to carry on the office; the orders of the respondent to him being to conduct it as though no change in the chief had been made; this respondent, in the mean time, studying the laws relating to his duties, and gradually familiarizing himself with the work and detail of the office. That he used a compilation of the Land Office laws, prepared by his predecessor, containing, as he understood, all the laws in the State pertaining to that department, but it did not contain this section 234 referred to in said article, and this respondent was not aware of the existence of any such law until since this proceeding was commenced against him. That during these investigations he kept careful watch of his Deputy and of his management, and at different times suggested changes, but he was always met with opposition and the assurance that such had always been the practice of the office. That his Deputy did not tell him, nor did this respondent discover, this practice of retaining money sent for land, and entering the land with swamp-land scrip from actual transactions in the office by his Deputy, but he heard of it outside the office. Upon investigation he ascertained that such had been the practice of the office during all former administrations of it so far back as he could get any information about it; but this respondent did not approve of it, and thereupon ordered it to be discontinued, and all moneys received for such lands to be paid into the State Treasury, and the land entered with cash and not with scrip; and, finally, to

insure a change in this as well in other practices which he deemed prejudicial to the public interests, he changed his Deputy, and the practice ceased.

He therefore denies that he has committed a crime against the laws of this State, or is guilty of misconduct in office by reason of any matter or thing in said article contained, and he denies that the matters and things in the said article contained, in manner and form as the same are therein stated and set forth, do constitute a crime under the laws of this State, or misconduct in office within the meaning of the Constitution of this State.

And this respondent maintains and will insist further that said section 234 has no application to the respondent, and never had; and that the law itself has not been in force as a law for over fifteen years.

1. That the section mentioned, found under the general title of "Provisions respecting State indebtedness and State Fund Commissioners," is Sec. 4 of Act 20 of the Laws of 1842, entitled "An act to provide for the withdrawal of Treasury notes, and for other purposes," the first section of which (although not printed in the Compiled Laws) is as much in force as the others, included collectors of moneys for freight or fare on the works of internal improvement of the State, and the commissioners or superintendents who received it, requiring the collector to pay over to them "the identical funds received," and the commissioner or superintendent to pay the same into the State Treasury "in the specific funds received." Certain other officers are mentioned in other parts of the act, but the Commissioner of the Land Office is nowhere named or referred to. The "Fund Commissioners" mentioned in the title were a board created by "An act to establish the State Bank of Michigan," being Act No. 37 of the Laws of 1839, who had the superintendence and arrangement of the sinking fund, the internal improvement Fund, the surplus revenue, the common school and University

funds, "and all other funds belonging to this State." Section 234 (section 4 of the act) includes only the classes of officers referred to in the act, whose duty it was by the then existing laws to collect or receive "debts, taxes, or other dues coming to the State." The section is specific in defining and designating them as the "aforesaid collecting and disbursing officers or agents," meaning those before referred to, as well as designating the funds as those "coming to the State" from the sources named. The Commissioner of the Land Office never collected or disbursed such funds, nor did they ever "pass through his hands."

2. The State Land Office was first inaugurated by Act No. 42 of the Laws of 1843, but was only a bureau in the Auditor General's office until January 1, 1844, when the first Commissioner of the State Land Office was created; so that the law of 1842, upon which the article is based, could not have had reference to, or included that officer; besides, the same subject matter is provided for in section 30 of the act creating that officer.

3. The Laws of 1855, Act No. 153, provide:

"Sec. 2. No official bond shall hereafter be required of the Commissioner of the State Land Office, and all moneys heretofore required to be received by him, shall hereafter be received by the State Treasurer (except as herein provided), who shall, in all cases, give receipts for the same, which receipts shall be countersigned by the Auditor General, as in other cases;" and the act nowhere provided for his receiving any funds. Under Act No. 66 of Laws of 1869, he can receive fees for office information, and by the act No. 85 of 1869, the purchasers of the trust fund or swamp lands "shall be permitted to pay" to the Commissioner moneys due from time to time on their certificates, "either for principal, interest, or penalty," on redemption from forfeitures; but he is not, by law, made the receiver of moneys paid on the sale of swamp or other lands; nor is he, in any sense, a collecting or disbursing officer, or "other

officer or agent through whose hands (such) public moneys pass" as are referred to in said section 234.

4. The section only included officers handling funds due or to become due the State, from sources then existing, and in the act specified, whereas the State had no swamp land until after the passage of the act of Congress of September 28, 1850, and hence the act of 1842 could not have contemplated or included funds coming from that source. Besides it does not include money to be paid or received on sales of land, but is limited in express terms to the funds "received in the collection of taxes or other public dues, or for freight and charges to passengers on the State railroads."

5. The act of 1842 is not to be found in the Revised Statutes of 1846, but the subjects of embezzling by State officers and of paying over moneys to the person authorized by law to receive the same, are provided for in sections 27 and 28 of chapter 154; and section 1 of chapter 173 of that statute declares that "all acts and parts of acts heretofore passed by the Legislature shall be repealed * * * * * the subjects whereof are revised and re-enacted in these Revised Statutes, or which are repugnant to the provisions therein contained." The subjects of the section upon which the charges in the article is based, having been revised and re-enacted by the Revised Statutes of 1846, the old act was no longer in force.

Wherefore, for the reasons and matters aforesaid, he excepts to the sufficiency of the said article.

And in answer to Article VIII, this respondent denies that he is guilty of a misdemeanor in manner and form as the same is therein charged, and denies that the matters in said article contained, as the same are therein stated, do constitute a misdemeanor within the meaning and intent of the statute of this State.

And he here excepts to the sufficiency of said article, in this, that it does not state that this respondent knew the said printed paper to be of the character or kind therein alleged.

And he further says, that neither the said article, nor any allegation therein contained, touch or relate to any official act or doing of this respondent in the office of Commissioner of the State Land Office, or in the discharge of any of his constitutional or legal duties or responsibilities, but said article, and the allegations thereof, relate only to this respondent as a citizen, in his personal capacity; and he denies that by reason of any matter in said article alleged, he, as Commissioner of the State Land Office, has been guilty of a misdemeanor within the intent and meaning of the Constitution of this State.

For answer to Article IX, he denies that he did commit a crime against the laws of the United States in manner and form as the same is therein charged, and denies that the matters in said article contained, as the same are therein stated, do constitute a crime within the meaning of the laws of the United States.

And he further says that neither the said article nor any allegation therein contained, touch or relate to any official act or doing of this respondent in his said office, or to the discharge of any of his official duties or responsibilities, but relate only to him as a citizen in his personal capacity. And he denies that by reason of any matter in the said article alleged, he, as Commissioner of the State Land Office, did commit a crime within the true intent and meaning of the Constitution of this State.

In answer to Article X, he says that he did not commit and is not guilty of any of the matters therein charged, and he denies each and every allegation therein contained, and says that the same are untrue, and he denies that the matters in the said article contained, in manner and form as the same are therein stated and set forth, do constitute good cause for removal from office within the meaning of the Constitution and laws of this State.

And in answer to Article XI, this respondent says: That he did not commit, and is not guilty of any of the offenses or mat-

ters therein charged, and says the same are false and untrue. He denies that the matters in the said article contained, in manner and form as the same are therein stated and set forth, do constitute a crime within the meaning of the statute of this State, and he denies that the matters therein alleged and the alleged crime therein charged, can be investigated upon the complaint or presentment of the Managers acting "on behalf of the House."

And further assuming, he says that neither the said article nor any allegation therein contained touch or relate to any official act or doing of this respondent in his said office, or to the discharge of any of his official duties or responsibilities, but relate only to him as a citizen in his personal capacity, and he denies that by reason of any matter in the said article contained he did commit or was guilty of a crime within the meaning or intent of the Constitution of this State.

And this respondent, in submitting to this Honorable Court this his answer to the articles of impeachment exhibited against him, respectfully reserves leave to amend and add to the same from time to time as may become necessary or proper, and when and as such necessity and propriety shall appear.

CHAS. A. EDMONDS.

JNO. B. SHIPMAN,

JONAS H. MCGOWAN,

Of Counsel.

The reading of the answer of the respondent having been concluded,

Mr. Romeyn moved that the answer of the respondent, Charles A. Edmonds, to the articles of impeachment exhibited against him on the part of the House of Representatives, be received and filed ;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,
Ball,

Mr. Jenks,
Mann,

Mr. Stockbridge,
Stoddard,

Mr. Barber,
Begole,
Bennett,
Briggs,
Cawley,
Dexter,
Gay,
Hannahs,

Mr. Moffatt,
Neasmith,
Price,
Prutzman,
Putnam,
Romeyn,
Sheley,

Mr. Storrs,
Waterbury,
Wheeler,
White,
Wilcox,
President
pro tem.,

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NAYS.

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And the answer was filed with the Secretary.

Mr. Sheley asked leave of absence for himself for two days.

Leave was not granted.

On motion of Mr. Waterbury,

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called: a quorum present.

Mr. McGowan, in behalf of the accused, presented the following protest, and asked that it be ordered placed on file:

The Senate of the State of Michigan, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, in the matter of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office:

The respondent hereby respectfully protests, and asks that the Managers on behalf of the House of Representatives be not allowed to file any replication to his answer herein, for the reason that the same has not been adopted or in any way acted upon by the House of Representatives, in whose behalf said Managers assume to act in this matter, and who alone can be heard in reply thereto.

JNO. B. SHIPMAN,
JONAS H. MCGOWAN,
Counsel for Respondent.

The protest was ordered filed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Ball,	Mr. Price,	Mr. Waterbury,
Barber,	Prutzman,	Wheeler,
Begole,	Putnam,	White,
Dexter,	Romeyn,	Wilcox,
Hannahs,	Stockbridge,	President
Jenks,	Stoddard,	<i>pro tem.</i> ,
Moffatt,	Storrs,	20

NAYS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Cawley,	Mr. Mann,	
Briggs,	Gay,	Neasmith,	6

Manager Grosvenor submitted the following order, and asked its adoption :

Ordered, That the House of Representatives, by its Managers, be allowed to file replication to the answer of Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the Land Office.

The order was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Jenks,	Mr. Stoddard,
Ball,	Mann,	Storrs,
Barber,	Moffatt,	Waterbury,
Begole,	Neasmith,	Wheeler,
Bennett,	Price,	White,
Briggs,	Prutzman,	Wilcox,
Cawley,	Putnam,	Wood,
Dexter,	Romeyn,	President
Gay,	Stockbridge,	<i>pro tem.</i> ,
Hannahs,		27

NAYS.

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Thereupon,

Mr. Grosvenor, on the part of the Managers, read the replication of the House of Representatives, by its Managers, as follows :

Replication on behalf of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, with the permission of the Senate, to the answer of Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the Land Office of the State of Michigan, to the particular articles of impeachment filed against him in pursuance of its impeachment for corrupt conduct in office, and for crimes and misdemeanors.

The House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, by its Managers, having considered the several answers of Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of said Land Office, to the several articles of impeachment exhibited in the name of the House of Representatives and of the people of the State of Michigan, and reserving to said House of Representatives all advantages of exception to the insufficiency of his answers to each and to all of the said several articles so exhibited against him, do deny each and every averment in said answers, or either of them, which denies or traverses the acts, crimes, or misdemeanors charged against him in said articles or either of them, and for replication to said answer, do say that Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of said Land Office, is guilty of the corrupt conduct in office and of the crimes and misdemeanors mentioned in said articles, and that the House of Representatives, by its Managers, are ready to prove the same.

I. R. GROSVENOR,

B. W. HUSTON, JR.

L. COCHRANE,

Managers on the part of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Manager Grosvenor moved that two of the Managers do open the case on the part of the House of Representatives,—one to state the propositions of law and the other the facts upon which they will rely to make good the articles of impeachment;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. McGowan, on behalf of the accused, submitted the following:

In the Senate of the State of Michigan, sitting as a Court of Impeachment:

THE STATE OF MICHIGAN,

vs.

CHARLES A. EDMONDS,

Commissioner of the State Land Office:

The respondent respectfully submits to this Honorable Court the following questions, and requests their decision thereon and answer thereto, severally and separately, to wit:

1. Shall any testimony be submitted or given under the article numbered-eight, by the Managers?
2. Shall any evidence be given by the Managers under the article numbered nine?
3. Shall any evidence be given by the Managers under the eleventh article?

JNO. B. SHIPMAN,

J. H. MCGOWAN,

Counsel for Respondent.

On motion of Mr. Romeyn,

Ordered, That the Senate chamber be closed while the Senate consider the questions submitted.

Mr. Moffatt moved that the Senate, sitting as a court, decline to answer the questions at present, but will act upon them as they may arise during the progress of the trial;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

The doors of the Senate were opened, and

The President *pro tem.* announced that the Senate declines to answer the questions at present, but will act upon them as they may arise during the progress of the trial.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

The questions were laid on the table.

The President *pro tem.* informed the Managers that they could now proceed in the trial of the impeachment.

Messrs. Cochrane and Huston, on the part of the Managers, addressed the Senate in support of the articles of im-

peachment presented by them against Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office.

After which,

On motion of Mr. Moffatt,

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Thursday, May 2, 1872.

The President *pro tem.* announced that the hour of 10 o'clock A. M., to which the Senate stood adjourned, being the hour fixed for the sitting of the Senate for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, had arrived.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called : a quorum present.

Mr. Romeyn submitted the following and moved its adoption as a standing rule of the Senate sitting as a Court.

Considering, The character of the proceeding now pending before the Senate of Michigan, to wit: the trial of an impeachment found by the House of Representatives against a high officer of the State for corrupt conduct in office and for crimes and misdemeanors ;

Considering, That the Senate sitting as a Court of Impeachment, are judges both of law and fact, and that the reasons for the exclusion of evidence on a trial before an ordinary court, when the questions of law and fact are distinguished from each other, as being the one the province of the court and the other of the jury, do not apply to this proceeding, and that according to the usage in the trial of impeachments, a degree of latitude of inquiry and freedom from technicality properly obtain, and

Considering, That the members of the Senate must frequently differ in opinion as to the admissibility of the evidence offered ;

Therefore, For the removal of such differences and for the dispatch of business, it is advisable that all evidence offered on either side, not trivial or obviously irrelevant, shall be received without objection, it being understood that the same when admitted shall be subject to discussion and comparison at the bar for the determination of its competency and value, and shall be duly sifted and weighed by the Senators in determining their final judgment ;

Which motion did not prevail, by yeas and nays as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Begole,
Cawley,

Mr. Hannab,

Mr. Mann,

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NAYS.

Mr. Alexander,
Ball,
Barber,
Briggs,
Dexter,
Gay,
Jenks,
Moffatt,

Mr. Neasmith,
Price,
Prutzman,
Putnam,
Romeyn,
Stockbridge,
Stoddard,
Storrs,

Mr. Waterbury,
Wheeler,
White,
Wilcox,
Wood,
President
pro tem.
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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Moffatt moved that Mr. Romeyn be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Romeyn then voted as recorded.

Mr. Moffatt submitted the following order, and moved its adoption :

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to cause to be forwarded to each newspaper published in the State, to the judges of the Supreme and Circuit Courts, and county clerks, the daily journals of the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment for the trial of Charles A. Edmonds, and of the "Impeachment Proceedings,"

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Jenks,	Mr. Stockbridge,
Ball,	Mann,	Storrs,
Barber,	Moffatt,	Waterbury,
Begole,	Neasmith,	Wheeler,
Briggs,	Price,	White,
Cawley,	Prutzman,	Wilcox,
Dexter,	Putnam,	Wood,
Gay,	Romeyn,	President
Hannahs,		<i>pro tem.</i> , 25

NAYS.

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Mr. Shipman, on behalf of the accused, moved that no evidence be received under the eighth, ninth, or eleventh articles, before to-morrow morning;

Which motion did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Prutzman,	Mr. Wilcox,
Briggs,	Romeyn,	Wood,
Hannahs,	Stockbridge,	President
		<i>pro tem.</i> , 9

NAYS.

Mr. Barber,	Mr. Jenks,	Mr. Putnam,
Begole,	Mann,	Storrs,
Cawley,	Moffatt,	Waterbury,
Dexter,	Neasmith,	Wheeler,
Gay,	Price,	White, 15

Francis H. Kirk, a witness on the part of the State, was then called by the Managers, and after having been duly sworn, and while under examination,

A question was propounded him by Manager Grosvenor.

Mr. Shipman, of counsel for the accused, objected to the question.

After consultation, the objection was waived under an arrangement between the Managers and counsel for the accused that the testimony might be received, and objections submitted thereto to-morrow morning.

After further examination by the Managers the witness was dismissed.

Addison Merrill, a witness on the part of the State, was called by the Managers, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

J. G. Fraser, a witness on the part of the State, was called by the Managers, and after having been duly sworn, and while under examination, a question was propounded him by Manager Grosvenor.

Mr. McGowan, of counsel for the accused, objected to the question.

The President *pro tem.* expressed the opinion that the testimony was not competent and should not be heard unless the Senate should decide otherwise.

After further examination by the Managers the witness was dismissed.

F. H. Bringhurst, a witness on the part of the State, was called by the Managers, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

On motion of Mr. Jenks,

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called : a quorum present.

Mr. Romeyn asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Gay for the day.

Mr. Wheeler moved to strike out the word "depending," in Rule 21, and insert in place thereof the word "pending;"

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander, Begole, Briggs, Cawley, Hannahs, Moffatt,	Mr. Neasmith, Price, Prutzman, Waterbury, Wheeler,	Mr. White, Wilcox, Wood, President <i>pro tem.</i>
		15

NAYS.

Mr. Ball, Barber, Dexter,	Mr. Jenks, Mann, Putnam,	Mr. Romeyn, Stockbridge, Storrs,
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Orrin B. Quigley, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after being having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers, and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

James H. Baker, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

The Managers offered in evidence a slip of paper cut from the register of the Merrill House, in Laporte, Ind., which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary.

T. H. Bringhurst was recalled, and further examined by the Managers.

J. G. Fraser was recalled, and further examined by the Managers.

Seth Lewis, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

E. H. Porter, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers, and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Ball offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of —dollars per day be allowed each witness attending on behalf of the people, and the same mileage as provided for members of the Senate.

Mr. Wheeler moved to lay the resolution on the table ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Briggs moved that the blank be filled with the word "two;"

Which motion prevailed.

The resolution was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Dexter,	Mr. Prutzman,	
Ball,	Hannahs,	Putnam,	
Barber,	Jenks,	Stockbridge,	
Begole,	Mann,	Storrs,	
Briggs,	Neasmith,	White,	
Cawley,	Price,	Wood,	18

NAYS.

Mr. Moffatt,	Mr. Waterbury,	Mr. Wilcox,
Romeyn,	Wheeler,	President
		<i>pro tem.</i> 6.

Mr. Briggs moved that the Senate adjourn ;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Friday, May 3, 1872.

The President *pro tem.* announced that the hour of 9 o'clock A. M., to which the Senate stood adjourned, being the hour fixed for the sitting of the Senate for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, had arrived.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called : a quorum present.

Mr. Wheeler asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Stoddard for an indefinite time.

Mr. Wheeler asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Jenks for the day.

Mr. White asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, after the 4th inst., for an indefinite time.

The President *pro tem.* announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, Mich., May 1, 1872. }

Hon. P. H. Emerson, Presiding Officer of the Senate:

SIR:—The most pressing and important private and public business renders it imperative for me to resign the position of Senator of the Fourth Senatorial District.

Very respectfully,

Your obd't servant,

S. BROWNELL.

The communication was ordered placed on file.

The President also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, Mich., May 1, 1872. }

Hon. P. H. Emerson, President pro tem. of the Senate:

I hereby resign my position as State Senator for the Tenth District of Michigan.

T. G. BENNETT.

The communication was ordered placed on file.

Mr. Romeyn submitted the following order, and moved its adoption:

Ordered, That the hours of session of the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, now pending, shall be from 9 o'clock A. M. to 12 o'clock M., and from 2 o'clock to 4 o'clock P. M., on each day of the trial, unless otherwise ordered.

The motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,
Ball,
Barber,
Begole,
Briggs,
Cawley,

Mr. Mann,
Moffatt,
Neasmith,
Price,
Pruzman,
Putnam,

Mr. Storrs,
Waterbury,
Wheeler,
White,
Wilcox,
Wood,

Mr. Dexter, Gay, Hannahs,	Mr. Romeyn, Sheley, Stockbridge,	Mr. President <i>pro tem.</i> , 25
NAYS.		0

E. H. Porter, a witness on the part of the State, was recalled and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused. A question was asked the witness.

The Managers objected to the question.

The motion was submitted to the Senate, and it was decided that the question be put to the witness, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander, Barber, Begole, Briggs, Hannahs, Jenks,	Mr. Mann, Moffatt, Price, Prutzman, Romeyn, Sheley,	Mr. Wilcox, Wood, President <i>pro tem.</i> , 15
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NAYS.

Mr. Ball, Cawley, Dexter, Neasmith,	Mr. Putnam, Stockbridge, Storrs, Waterbury,	Mr. Wheeler, White, 10
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And the question was put to the witness.

After further cross-examination by the counsel for the accused, the witness was re-examined by the Managers, and upon such re-examination a question was asked by Manager Grosvenor.

Mr. McGowan, of counsel for the accused, objected to the question.

The President *pro tem.* expressed the opinion that the testimony was competent and should be heard unless the Senate should decide otherwise.

After further re-examination by the Managers, a question was asked the witness, by the Managers.

Mr. Shipman, of counsel for the accused, objected to the question.

On motion of Mr. Waterbury,

Ordered, That the Senate chamber be closed while the Senate consider the question submitted.

The question was submitted to the Senate, and it was decided that the question be put to the witness, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Ball,	Mr. Hannahs,	Mr. Sheley,	
Begole,	Mann,	Stockbridge,	
Briggs,	Moffatt,	Storrs,	
Cawley,	Price,	Waterbury,	
Dexter,	Prutzman,	White,	
Gay,	Putnam,		17

NAYS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Romeyn,	Mr. Wood,
Barber,	Wheeler,	President
Jenks,	Wilcox,	<i>pro tem.</i> ,
Neasmith,		9

On motion of Mr. Jenks,

The doors of the Senate were opened, and

The President *pro tem.* announced that the Senate had considered the question and had decided that the question be put to the witness.

Pending the further re-examination of the witness,

Mr. Wheeler moved that a committee of three be appointed by the Chair, to confer with the State Printer relative to the cause of the delay in the printing of the Impeachment Proceedings ;

Which motion prevailed.

The President *pro tem.* announced as such committee, Senators Wheeler, Moffatt, and Waterbury.

On motion of Mr. Romeyn,

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called: a quorum present.

The re-examination of E. H. Porter was continued by the Managers, and the witness was re-cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

D. W. Allison, a witness on the part of the State, was called by the Managers, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Huston, on behalf of the Managers, offered in evidence Primary School Land Certificate No. 10,934, and an assignment thereof signed and executed by Cyrus Hewitt, which were received and ordered filed with the Secretary.

Wm. C. Bush, a witness on the part of the State, was called by the Managers, and, after having been duly sworn, and while under examination,

The following question was asked by Manager Huston:

"What was the arrangement between yourself and Mr. Barnard in regard to the lands?"

Mr. Romeyn raised the point of order that it was incompetent to examine the witness as to the official conduct of Barnard before the connection of the respondent with the Land Office, and his control of the same.

Pending which,

The hour of 4 o'clock P. M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* declared the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Saturday, May 4, 1872.

The President *pro tem.* announced that the hour of 9 o'clock A. M., to which the Senate stood adjourned, being the hour fixed for the sitting of the Senate for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, had arrived.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called : a quorum present.

The President *pro tem.* announced that the question pending at the time of the adjournment was: Shall the following question be put to the witness Bush : Question—"What was the arrangement between yourself and Mr. Barnard in regard to the lands?"

Pending which :

Mr. Ball announced the death of Hon. I. M. Cravath, a member of the Senate from the Twenty-first Senatorial District, and asked and obtained unanimous leave to offer the following resolutions :

Whereas, We have learned this morning, with profound sorrow, of the death of the Hon. Isaac M. Cravath of Lansing, Michigan, a member of the Senate for the Twenty-first Senatorial District; therefore

Resolved, *By the Senate of the State of Michigan*, That so great a loss to us and to those whom he represented, as an active, vigilant, and upright public servant, in the death of the Hon. Isaac M. Cravath, should receive a befitting and appropriate recognition ;

Resolved, That our appreciation of the kind, manly, and genial traits which characterized the deceased in all his official acts as a member of this Senate, and in his private intercourse with us, causes a feeling of profound sorrow ;

Resolved, That, to his bereaved wife we extend, with deepest sympathy, our condolence in the loss of a true and loving husband, thus suddenly removed from her ;

Resolved, That, as a further mark of respect for the deceased, the Senate attend his funeral in a body, and that these resolu-

tions be entered upon the journal, and a copy of them be transmitted to the wife of the deceased :

Resolved, That this Senate do now adjourn until Monday next, May 6th, at 2 o'clock P. M.

The resolutions were adopted, all the Senators present voting therefor, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Jenks,	Mr. Stockbridge,
Ball,	Mann,	Storrs,
Barber,	Moffatt,	Waterbury,
Begole,	Neasmith,	Wheeler,
Briggs,	Price,	White,
Cawley,	Prutzman,	Wilcox,
Dexter,	Putnam,	Wood,
Gay,	Romeyn,	President
Hannahs,	Sheley,	<i>pro tem.</i>

And the President *pro tem.* declared the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned till Monday, the 6th inst., at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Lansing, Monday, May 6, 1872.

The President *pro tem.* announced that the hour of 2 o'clock P. M., to which the Senate stood adjourned, being the hour fixed for the sitting of the Senate for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, had arrived.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called : not a quorum present.

The President *pro tem.* declared the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Tuesday, May 7, 1872.

The President *pro tem.* announced that the hour of 9 o'clock A. M., to which the Senate stood adjourned, being the hour fixed for the sitting of the Senate for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, had arrived.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called : a quorum present.

The President *pro tem.* announced that the question pending at the time of the adjournment was: Shall the following question be put to the witness Bush: "What was the arrangement between yourself and Mr. Barnard in regard to the lands?"

The Senate decided that the question should be put to the witness by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Jenks,	Mr. Sheley,	
Ball,	Mann,	Stoddard,	
Begole,	Moffatt,	Storrs,	
Dexter,	Neasmith,	Waterbury,	
Gay,	Putnam,	Wheeler,	
Hannahs,			16

NAYS.

Mr. Barber,	Mr. Prutzman,	Mr. White,	
Briggs,	Romeyn,	Wilcox,	
Price,	Stockbridge,	President	
		<i>pro tem.</i> ,	9

The witness was recalled, and the question put.

The witness was further examined by the Managers, and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Wheeler asked the following question of the witness:

"At the time of the making of the affidavit in the Diamond case, was you in the employ of Ripley? If so, in what capacity?"

The witness having made answer,

Mr. Wheeler asked the following question of the witness:

"If you was not in the employ of Ripley at that time, what consideration did you receive for your services in the matter?"

Answer having been made,

After further examination the witness was dismissed.

Mr. Huston, on behalf of the Managers, offered in evidence fourteen letters from Wm. A. Barnard to William O. Bush, which were received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibits D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q.]

The hour of 12 o'clock M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* announced that the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, would take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called: a quorum present.

W. O. Bush was recalled and further cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Sheley asked the following question of the witness:

"Did Mr. Edmonds know of the arrangement between yourself and Mr. Barnard?"

The witness made answer thereto, and was further cross-examined by the counsel for the accused, re-examined by the Managers, and re-cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

John B. Dwinell, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

Philip Kershner, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers, and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Huston, on behalf of the Managers, offered in evidence "Patent No. 22891, made by State of Michigan to Philip

Kershner," which was received, and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit R.]

H. J. Corbus, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Orson Bouck, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Briggs asked the witness the following question :

"Did Mr. Cornell, at any time when at your place, show you any license, or certificate of purchase of the lands from the Land Office?"

The witness made answer thereto, and, after cross-examination and re-examination, was dismissed.

John Long, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers, and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Adam Woolover, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

The hour of 4 o'clock P. M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* declared the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Wednesday, May 8, 1872.

The President *pro tem.* announced that the hour of 9 o'clock A. M., to which the Senate stood adjourned, being the hour fixed for the sitting of the Senate for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, had arrived.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called: a quorum present.

Mr. Wilcox asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for to-morrow.

Adam Woolover was recalled, and while under examination, a question was asked by the Managers.

Mr. Shipman, of counsel for the accused, objected to the question.

The President *pro tem.* expressed the opinion that the testimony was competent, and should be heard, unless the Senate should decide otherwise.

After further examination by the Managers, and cross-examination by counsel for the accused, the witness was dismissed.

Mr. Huston, on behalf of the Managers, offered in evidence Settler's License No. 4671, issued to Adam Woolover; also, affidavit of settlement,—same license; also, a letter from Wm. A. Barnard to J. J. Wilder, which were received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibits, S,T,U.]

L. W. Wing, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

Mr. Grosvenor, on behalf of the Managers, offered in evidence a letter from Harry Clark to L. W. Wing, which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit V.]

Charles Conley, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers, and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Huston, on behalf of the Managers, offered in evidence Settler's License No. 4719, which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit W.]

Obed Smith, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

Mr. Stockbridge asked the following question of the witness:

“Did your reservations at any time exceed the amount of your unmatured scrip?”

The witness made answer thereto, and after further examination by the Managers, was cross-examined by the counsel for the accused, re-examined by the Managers, and dismissed.

Mr. Huston, on behalf of the Managers, offered in evidence "List of lands reserved for Obed Smith," which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit X.]

James T. Munroe, a witness on the part of the State, was recalled, and examined by the Managers, cross-examined by the counsel for the accused, and re-examined by the Managers.

Mr. Huston, on behalf of the Managers, offered in evidence "Patent No. 22879, made by the State of Michigan to James T. Munroe," which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit Y.]

Richard S. Thomas, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

The hour of 12 o'clock M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* announced that the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, would take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called: a quorum present.

R. S. Thomas was recalled, and further examined by the Managers, and upon such examination, a written memorandum was presented by the Managers.

Mr. Shipman, of counsel for the accused, objected.

The matter was submitted to the Senate, and the memorandum was admitted to be read, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,
Ball,
Barber,

Mr. Gay,
Jenks,
Mann,

Mr. Stockbridge,
Stoddard,
Storrs.

Mr. Begole,
Cawley,
Dexter,

Mr. Moffatt,
Putnam
Sheley,

Mr. Waterbury,
Wood,

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NAYS.

Mr. Briggs,
Hannahs,
Price,

Mr. Prutzman,
Romeyn,
Wheeler,

Mr. Wilcox,
President

pro tem., 8

The witness was further examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

H. D. Bartholomew, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

M. O. Robinson, a witness on the part of the State, was called and after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

Mr. Waterbury, asked the witness the following question:

"Are Jones & Porter and Mr. Hewitt in the habit of having lands marked on the plat-books where they remain during the pleasure of the parties, and erased whenever the parties request it?"

The witness made answer thereto.

Mr. Briggs asked witness the following question:

"Has it been the practice since the 1st of January, 1871, to mark lands on the books of the Land Office as reserved in the names of C. Hewitt and Jones & Porter, and to erase their names when ever requested?"

The witness made answer thereto.

Mr. Sheley asked the witness the following question:

"Do you know of Mr. Hewitt or any other person withdrawing any of the land-checks and by so doing placing the lands upon the books for sale?"

The witness made answer thereto.

Mr. Romeyn asked the witness the following question:

"You have stated that certain parcels of land were marked from time to time with the initials of Cyrus Hewitt and of Jones & Porter. Who made these marks on the books?"

The witness made answer thereto.

After further examination by the Managers, and cross-examination by the counsel for the accused, the witness was dismissed.

Mr. Huston, on behalf of the Managers, submitted in evidence "Application of Cyrus Hewitt, for certain lands," which was received, and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit Z.]

Mr. McGowan, on behalf of the accused, submitted in evidence "Application of E. Hall, for certain lands," which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit AA.]

Obed Smith was recalled, and re-examined by the Managers.

The hour of 4 o'clock P. M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* declared the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Thursday, May 9, 1872.

The President *pro tem.* announced that the hour of 9 o'clock A. M., to which the Senate stood adjourned, being the hour fixed for the sitting of the Senate for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, had arrived.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Putnam asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Neasmith for an indefinite time.

Richard S. Thomas was recalled and re-examined by the Managers, and re-cross-examined by the counsel for the respondent.

H. H. Hoyt, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers, and cross-examined by the counsel for the respondent.

A question was asked the witness by the Managers.

Mr. McGowan objected.

The matter was submitted to the Senate, and it was decided that the question be put to the witness, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Begole, Briggs, Dexter, Gay,	Mr. Jenks, Mann, Moffatt, Prutzman,	Mr. Romeyn, Stoddard, Storrs, Waterbury, 12
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NAYS.

Mr. Alexander, Ball, Barber, Cawley,	Mr. Hannahs, Price, Putnam, Stockbridge,	Mr. Wheeler, Wood, President <i>pro tem.</i> , 11
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And the question was put to the witness.

James T. Munroe was recalled and re-examined by the Managers, and re-cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

William W. Coffron, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Dayton G. Canfield, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Ball asked the witness the following question:

"Did you direct the land first purchased to be entered with money, and send the money for the same?"

The witness made answer thereto and was dismissed.

G. F. Gillam, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

Mr. Ball asked the following questions of the witness:

"1. Would Hewitt be allowed to reserve after the Bathay contract was assigned?"

"2. Were any such reservations made for Hewitt after such assignment was made by Bathay to Smith?"

The witness having made answer thereto,

Mr. Romeyn asked the witness the following question :

“When was the Bathay contract assigned?”

The witness made answer thereto.

Mr. Briggs asked the witness the following question ?

“At what date was the assignment of the Bathay contract to Smith filed in the office?”

The witness made answer thereto.

Mr. Waterbury asked the witness the following question :

“If Hewitt could not obtain patents with the matured scrip of the Bathay contract without another order from Bathay, can any one but Bathay get them by paying for them?”

The witness made answer thereto, and was further examined by the Managers, and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Huston, on behalf of the Managers, submitted in evidence “Order of Theodore Bathay to Cyrus Hewitt, to reserve any lands,” which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit BB.]

Mr. McGowan, on behalf of the accused, submitted in evidence “Letter from D. Preston to C. A. Edmonds,” and “Letter from Theodore Bathay to E. H. Porter, Deputy Commissioner of the Land Office,” which were received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibits CC and DD.]

William M. Marr, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

The hour of 12 o'clock M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* announced that the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, would take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem*.

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called: quorum present.

Lester S. Hudson, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Cyrus O. Dodge, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Henry C. Clarke, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Cyrus Hewitt, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

The hour of 4 o'clock P. M. having arrived, the President *pro tem*. declared the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Friday, May 10, 1872.

The President *pro tem*. announced that the hour of 9 o'clock A. M., to which the Senate stood adjourned, being the hour fixed for the sitting of the Senate for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, had arrived.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Wheeler asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Stoddard for an indefinite time, on account of sickness in his family.

Cyrus Hewitt was recalled, and further examined by the Managers, cross-examined by the counsel for the accused, and re-examined by the Managers. A question was asked the witness by the Managers.

Mr. Shipman objected to the question.

The matter was submitted to the Senate, and it was decided that the question should not be put to the witness, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Moffatt,

Mr. Prutzman,

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NAYS.

Mr. Ball,

Mr. Hannahs,

Mr. Storrs,

Barber,

Jenks,

Waterbury,

Begole,

Mann,

Wheeler,

Briggs,

Price,

Wood,

Cawley,

Prutzman,

President,

Dexter,

Romeyn,

pro tem.,

Gay,

Stockbridge.

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Mr. Grosvenor, on behalf of the Managers, offered in evidence "Lists of lands reserved for Cyrus Hewitt," which were received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit EE.]

S. V. Cornell, a witness on behalf of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Briggs asked the witness the following question:

"What time was it that you had the conversation with the Commissioner at your house in Coldwater, in relation to the Bouck transaction?"

The witness made answer thereto.

Mr. Huston, on behalf of the Managers, submitted in evidence "Letter from S. V. Cornell to J. J. Woolston," which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit FF.]

Van Dunham, a witness on behalf of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

The hour of 12 o'clock M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* announced that the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, would take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called: quorum present.

Van Dunham was recalled, and further examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr Waterbury asked the witness the following question:

"When you made plats with the name of owners of patented lands and licensed lands, with field-notes, swamps, rivers and streams marked there, what price do you get for them?"

The witness made answer thereto.

Obed Smith was recalled, and further examined by the Managers, and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

L. B. Potter, a witness on the part of the State, was called and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

The hour of 4 o'clock P. M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* declared the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Saturday, May 11, 1872.

The President *pro tem.* announced that the hour of 9 o'clock A. M., to which the Senate stood adjourned, being the hour fixed for the sitting of the Senate for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, had arrived.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Randall asked leave of absence for himself for the remainder of the session.

Leave was not granted.

L. B. Potter was recalled, and further cross-examined by the counsel for the accused, and re-examined by the Managers.

Mr. Shipman, in behalf of the accused, submitted in evidence "List of lands reserved by E. Hall," which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary. (See Appendix, Exhibits GG.)

Mr. Waterbury asked the witness the following question: "Did you not understand at the time the reservations were made by Barnard on the Hall contract, that they were entered for the benefit of Barnard, and that Hall had no interest in the lands, and received no pay, and had no interest in the matter whatever; but that it was Barnard's purchase of the lands to all intents and purposes?"

The witness made answer thereto:

Mr. Shipman, in behalf of the accused, submitted in evidence "List of lands reserved by E. Hall," which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary. (See Appendix, Exhibit GG.)

G. B. Griswold, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Wheeler asked the witness the following question:

"Who gave Mr. Porter information in regard to those two 40-acre lots, before they were reserved on the Smith contract?"

The witness made answer thereto.

S. C. Alderman, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Grosvenor asked a question of the witness.

Mr. Shipman objected.

The matter was submitted to the Senate, and it was decided

that the question be put to the witness, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ball,
Begole,
Cawley,
Dexter,
Gay,
Hannaha,
Mann,

Mr. Moffatt,
Neasmith,
Prutzman,
Putnam,
Randall,
Romeyn,
Sheley,

Mr. Stockbridge,
Storrs,
Waterbury,
Wheeler,
Wilcox,
Wood.

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NAYS.

Mr. Alexander,
Barber,

Mr. Price,

President
pro tem., 4

And the question was put to the witness.

Mr. Grosvenor, in behalf of the Managers, submitted in evidence "Blank Timber Affidavit," which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit HH.]

Senator J. C. Waterbury was called, and after having been sworn, and standing in his place in the Senate, was examined by the Managers, and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Grosvenor, in behalf of the Managers, submitted in evidence "Copy of the oath of office of C. A. Edmonds, and copy of the oath of office of Wm. A. Barnard," which were received and ordered filed with the Secretary. (See Appendix, Exhibit II.)

G. W. Freeman, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

Mr. Grosvenor, in behalf of the Managers, submitted in evidence "Certificate of Purchase—Swamp Land, No. 9985," which was received, and ordered filed with the Secretary. (See Appendix, Exhibit JJ.)

L. S. Hudson was recalled, and further examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

M. O. Robinson was recalled, and further examined by the Managers.

The hour of 12 o'clock M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* announced that the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, would take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called : quorum present.

Mr. Wheeler asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Jenks until Wednesday morning next.

Mr. Romeyn submitted the following order, and moved its adoption :

Ordered, That in place of the usual adjournment at 4 o'clock, the Senate at that hour take a recess until 7 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of proceeding with the trial pending.

The order was not adopted.

M. O. Robinson was recalled, and further examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Waterbury asked the witness the following question :

"When a land-looker applies for school land and refuses to make affidavit that said land is valuable principally for agricultural purposes, is it not concluded quite certain the land is valuable for timber?"

The witness made answer thereto.

Martin Hudson, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

James M. Turner, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

W. S. George, a witness on the part of the State, was called,

and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

The hour of 4 o'clock P. M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* declared the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Monday, May 13, 1872.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, was called to order by the President, Hon. Morgan Bates, at 9 o'clock A. M., that being the hour fixed for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called : quorum present.

The President called the President *pro tem.* to the chair.

Mr. Storrs presented the resignation of Henry Seymour, Sergeant-at-Arms, as follows :

Lansing, Mich., May 13, 1872.

To the Honorable the Senate of the State of Michigan :

I hereby resign my office of Sergeant-at-Arms of your Honorable body.

H. SEYMOUR.

Per W. F. STORRS.

Mr. Moffatt offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That Charles T. Dickey be and he is hereby appointed Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, vice Henry Seymour, resigned.

Which was adopted by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Ball,
Begole,
Cawley,
Hannahs,

Mr. Price,
Prutzman,
Putnam,
Randall,

Mr. Stockbridge,
Storrs,
Waterbury,
Wilcox,

Mr. Mann,
Moffatt,
Neasmith,

Mr. Romeyn,
Sheley,

Mr. President
pro tem.,

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NAYS.

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H. C. Clarke was recalled, and further examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Sheley asked the witness the following question :

“Did the clerks take the thirty days allowed them just as they wished, or did the Commissioner inform them when they could take the time?”

The witness made answer thereto.

Mr. Grosvenor submitted in evidence “Oath of office of Hedges L. Paddack, book-keeper of the State Land Office, and certificate of Daniel Striker, Secretary of State, relative to oaths of office of clerks in State Land Office,” which were received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit KK.]

A. L. Bours, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

G. F. Gillam was recalled, and further examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr Waterbury asked the witness the following question :

“Can a man apply for all the lands in a township and have them reserved, then go and look at the land, take what he finds good, and have the rest dropped or rubbed off the book?”

The witness made answer thereto.

Van Dunham was recalled, and further examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

James H. Baker was recalled and further examined by the Managers.

The hour of 12 o'clock M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* announced that the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, would take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem*.

J. H. Baker was recalled and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Miles L. Bosworth, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

George Fowler, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers, and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Sarah Marshall, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Rebecca Hotaling, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Thomas Marshall, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross examined by the counsel for the accused.

The hour of 4 o'clock P. M. having arrived, the President *pro tem*. declared the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Tuesday, May 14, 1872.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, was called to order by the President, Hon. Morgan Bates, at 9 o'clock A. M., that being the hour fixed for the sitting for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called : quorum present.

Mr. Wheeler announced that Senator Morton was present and desired to take the oath prescribed by law.

Senator Morton came forward and the prescribed oath was administered to him by the President.

The President called the President *pro tem.* to the chair.

S. V. Cornell was recalled, and further examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

James Cummin, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Grosvenor, on behalf of the State, submitted in evidence "Letter from C. A. Edmonds to James Cummin," which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit "LL."]

H. D. Bartholomew was recalled, and further examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Grosvenor, on behalf of the Managers, submitted in evidence "Abstract of taxes assessed and rejected," which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit "MM."]

O. B. Quigley was recalled, and further examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

G. H. Cole, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Van Dunham was recalled, and further examined by the Managers.

F. T. Moore, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. Grosvenor, on behalf of the Managers, submitted the following order, and asked its adoption :

Ordered, That the remaining proofs on the part of the Managers, in support of the 11th article, shall be taken

before the Secretary of the Senate, in the presence of the Managers and the respondent and his counsel, if they see fit to attend on notice of time and place, and the proofs shall be reduced to writing and returned to the Senate and filed, and the same may be read in evidence on this trial with the same force and effect as if the witnesses had testified in person before the Senate.

The order was not adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Wilcox,

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NAYS.

Mr. Alexander,
Barber,
Begole,
Briggs,
Cawley,
Dexter,
Gay,
Hannahs,
Mann,

Mr. Moffatt,
Morton,
Neasmith,
Price,
Prutzmam,
Putnam,
Randall,
Romeyn,

Mr. Sheley,
Stockbridge,
Storrs,
Waterbury,
Wheeler,
Wood,
President
pro tem.,
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On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, took a recess until two o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called: quorum present.

Ben. B. Baker, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

Mr. Grosvenor, on the part of the Managers, submitted in evidence, a copy of the paper called "Every Wednesday Night," which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary.

H. T. Carpenter, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

Charles Anderson, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

M. R. Taylor, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

Elizabeth Hudson, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Edward A. Wilder, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers.

Mr. Cochrane, on behalf of the Managers, submitted the following order:

Ordered, That Jane Bolton may be sworn in this case on the part of the State, at any time before the evidence is closed, and her testimony received as if given in regular order, subject to the right of cross-examination on the part of the respondent, and to produce testimony in answer thereto.

On motion of Mr. Romeyn,

It was adopted as the order of the Senate, sitting as a Court.

Mr. Morton moved that the testimony of Elizabeth Hudson be filed with the Secretary, and not published with the report of the proceedings;

Which motion did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Morton,	Mr. Price,	Mr. Sheley,	3
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NAYS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Hannahs,	Mr. Stockbridge,
Ball,	Mann,	Storrs,
Barber,	Moffatt,	Waterbury,
Begole,	Neasmith,	Wheeler,
Briggs,	Prutzman,	Wilcox,

Mr. Cawley,
Dexter,
Gay,

Mr. Putnam,
Randall,
Romeyn,

Mr. Wood,
President
pro tem., 23

Mr. Huston, on behalf of the Managers, here stated that the Managers had now closed the evidence with the exception heretofore noted.

On motion of Mr. Romeyn,

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Wednesday, May 15, 1872.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, was called to order by the President, *pro tem.*, at 9 o'clock A. M., that being the hour fixed for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called; quorum present.

Mr. McGowan, of counsel for the accused, proceeded to address the Senate; setting forth the grounds of the defense of Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, to the articles of impeachment exhibited against him by the House of Representatives.

Pending which, at the request of the counsel for the accused,

Henry P. Baldwin, a witness on the part of the accused, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused.

Upon such examination, Mr. McGowan asked the following question:

"From your personal and official observation, will you state what has been Mr. Edmonds' conduct and management of the office?"

Mr. Cochrane objected to the question.

The matter was submitted to the Senate, and it was decided that the question should not be put to the witness, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,
Ball,
Barber,
Begole,
Briggs,

Cawley,
Hannahs,
Morton,
Price,

Mr. Prutzman,
Randall,
Wood,
President
pro tem., 13

NAYS.

Mr. Dexter,
Gay,
Mann,
Moffatt,
Neasmith,

Mr. Putnam,
Romeyn,
Sheley,
Stockbridge,
Stoddard,

Mr. Storrs,
Waterbury,
Wheeler,
Wilcox, 14

After further examination by the counsel for the accused and cross-examination by the Managers, the witness was dismissed.

After which, Mr. McGowan resumed his argument, and concluded the same at ten minutes past 12 M., whereupon

The President *pro tem.* announced that the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, would take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called : quorum present.

Daniel Striker, a witness on the part of the accused, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

Joseph Lawrence, a witness on the part of the accused, was

called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

M. E. Hitchings, a witness on the part of the accused, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

Lucas Joseph, a witness on the part of the accused, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

V. P. Collier, a witness on the part of the accused, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused and cross examined by the Managers.

J. B. Conkling, a witness on the part of the accused, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

Gottlieb Straub, a witness on the part of the accused, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

Henry N. Lawrence, a witness on the part of the accused, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused.

George B. Griswold was recalled, and examined by the counsel for the accused.

The hour of 4 o'clock P. M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* declared the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Thursday, May 16, 1872.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, was called to order by the President *pro tem.*, at 9 o'clock A. M., that being the hour fixed for the sitting for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Putnam asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Prutzman, for the day.

George B. Griswold was recalled, and examined by the counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

Mr. McGowan submitted for examination by the Senate "Original field-notes and two volumes duplicate field-notes."

C. L. Knight, a witness on the part of the accused, was called, and after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused, and cross-examined by the Managers.

Mr. McGowan submitted for examination by the Senate. "Vol. No. 5 of Patents of Swamp Lands; also, Vol. No. 1, Abstracts of Swamp Lands."

S. S. Cutter, a witness on the part of the accused, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused.

John H. Bennett, a witness on the part of the accused, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

David B. Purinton, a witness on the part of the accused, was called, and after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

A. L. Bours was recalled, and examined by the counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

Elias Shafer, a witness on the part of the accused, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused, and cross-examined by the Managers.

Asa Shattuck, a witness on the part of the accused was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

Hedges L. Paddack, a witness on the part of the accused, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

Mr. Neasmith asked the witness the following question:

"Why are parties desiring to pay interest on school lands

required to make application in writing, and what is done with the application?"

The witness made answer thereto.

The hour of 12 o'clock M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* announced that the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, would take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called: quorum present.

Hedges L. Paddack was recalled, and further cross-examined by the Managers, and re-examined by the counsel for the accused.

H. C. Clarke was recalled, and examined by the counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

Geo. F. Gillam was recalled and examined by the counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

Mr. Waterbury asked the witness the following questions:

1. "Is it a rule or the practice of the Land Office, when it appears by the books of the office that there is more land reserved than the contractor has credit for, to strike out a part of his reservations without the knowledge of the contractor, or do you give the contractor notice of the fact, and allow him to elect which he will retain?"

2. "Did you do so in the case of Obed Smith's reservation,—that is, strike out his last reservations?"

3. "Why did you accept his order for scrip when he had reserved to the full amount of his credit?"

The witness made answer thereto.

Mr. McGowan, on behalf of the accused, submitted in evidence, "Rules and Regulations of the State Land Office,"

which were received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit NN.]

Mr. McGowan, on behalf of the accused, submitted in evidence "Seven Statements of Account with Obed Smith," which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit OO.]

Mr. McGowan, on behalf of the accused, submitted in evidence, "List of Lands Reserved by E. Hall," which was received and filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit PP.]

Mr. McGowan, on behalf of the accused, submitted in evidence, "List of Lands Reserved by H. C. Ripley, and four telegrams in relation thereto," which were received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit QQ.]

The hour of 4 o'clock P. M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* declared the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Friday, May 17, 1872.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, was called to order by the President *pro tem.*, at 9 o'clock A. M., that being the hour fixed for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called: quorum present.

George F. Gillam was recalled, and further cross-examined by the Managers, and re-examined by the counsel for the accused.

Mr. McGowan, on the part of the accused, submitted in evidence "Statement of moneys received for State Land Office, etc.," which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit RR.]

Charles L. Ortman, a witness on the part of the accused,

was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

Senator Waterbury was recalled and the following question asked him by Mr. Randall:

"In your testimony on page 334, in regard to lots 5 and 6, Sec. 16, Town 24 north, 3 west, you stated that these lands were valuable chiefly for timber. Will you please state what, in your opinion, was the value of these lands for timber when seen by you?"

The witness made answer thereto, and was further examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

M. O. Robinson was recalled, and examined by the counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

Mr. Alexander asked the witness the following question:

"Is there a copy of the letter in the copy-book, in its regular order?"

The witness made answer thereto.

Mr. McGowan, on the part of the accused, submitted in evidence "Two letters from E. G. Goddard to Wm. A. Barnard;" also, "Application for Settler's License, No. 4285; License, No. 4285; Proof of Settlement and Occupation, No. 4285;" and other documents in relation thereto; also, "Opinion of the Attorney General;" which were received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit SS.]

Mr. McGowan, on the part of the accused, submitted in evidence, "Letter from Wm. A. Barnard, to Charles Conley."

Mr. Grosvenor objected.

The President overruled the objection, and the letter was received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit TT.]

Mr. McGowan, on the part of the accused, submitted in evidence "Proofs of abandonment and non-abandonment of the Diamond lands."

Mr. Cochrane-objected.

The matter was submitted to the Senate, and it was decided that the evidence was admissible, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Jenks,	Mr. Randall,	
Barber,	Mann,	Sheley,	
Begole,	Price,	Storrs,	
Briggs,	Prutzman,	Wheeler,	
Gay,			13

NAYS.

Mr. Ball,	Mr. Putnam,	Mr. Waterbury,	
Cawley,	Romeyn,	Wood,	
Dexter,	Stockbridge,	President,	
Moffatt,	Stoddard,	<i>pro tem.</i> ,	
Neasmith,			12

And the said proofs were received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit UU.]

Mr. McGowan, on the part of the accused, submitted in evidence "Two letters from Theodore S. Day to E. H. Porter," which were received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit VV.]

Mr. McGowan, on the part of the accused, submitted in evidence "Letter from David Preston & Co. to E. H. Porter," which was received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit WW.]

William Humphrey, a witness on the part of the accused, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused.

The President *pro tem.* announced that the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, would take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

 AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called : quorum present.

William Humphrey was recalled, and further examined by the counsel for the accused, and cross-examined by the Managers.

Mr. Romeyn asked the witness the following question :

“ Do you know of a contract known as the ‘Bathay contract,’ and if so, what was its date ?”

The witness made answer thereto.

Mr. McGowan, on the part of the accused, submitted in evidence “ Blank Swamp Land State Road Contract, Acceptance, Swamp Land Warrant, etc.,” which were received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit XX.]

Mr. McGowan, on the part of the accused, submitted in evidence “ Statements of salaries paid clerks in the State Land Office, for the years 1870 and 1871,” which were received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit YY.]

E. Hall, a witness on the part on the accused, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the counsel for the accused and cross-examined by the Managers.

Mr. Sheley asked the witness the following question :

“ Did you ever get lands reserved to you in the Land Office that were reserved in the name of other parties on the books in the office, as a favor to you ?”

The witness made answer thereto.

Mr. Stockbridge asked the witness the following question :

“ You say lands were held upon your contract for Mr. Bush, before you knew that such was the fact. Now, by what authority was that done ?”

The witness made answer thereto.

Mr. Waterbury asked the witness the following question :

“ You say that you supposed that the lands that were reserved on your contract by Barnard or Bush, were yours to all intents. What was you to pay Barnard or Bush, as you supposed ?”

The witness made answer thereto.

Mr. Stockbridge asked the witness the following question :

“ Do you know anything about the Bathay contract ; the date of it, and if the road was well built ?”

The witness made answer thereto.

Mr. Briggs asked the witness the following question:

"Did you have any interest in the Obed Smith or Bathay contract?"

The witness made answer thereto.

Mr. Shipman, on behalf of the accused admitted that Charles A. Edmonds is legally married, and that his wife is now living.

Mr. McGowan submitted as evidence in the case, the "Legislative Journal for the extra session of 1872," which was submitted.

Mr. McGowan stated that the evidence on the part of the accused was now closed.

Mr. Huston, on behalf of the Managers, in pursuance of leave heretofore granted, submitted in evidence, "Two patents from the State of Michigan to James T. Munroe," which were received and ordered filed with the Secretary. [See Appendix, Exhibit Y.]

Mr. Grosvenor, on behalf of the Managers, asked leave to introduce, at some future time, testimony of four witnesses as to the credibility of the witness James H. Baker.

Leave was granted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ball,	Mr. Jenks,	Mr. Stoddard,	
Barber,	Moffatt,	Storrs,	
Begole,	Neasmith,	Waterbury,	
Cawley,	Putnam,	Wheeler,	
Dexter,	Sheley,	Wood,	
Gay,	Stockbridge,		17

NAYS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Price,	Mr. Romeyn,	
Briggs,	Prutzman,	President	
Mann,	Randall,	<i>pro tem.</i> ,	
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Mr. Romeyn moved that the usual *per diem* be allowed the clerks in the State Offices when summoned as witnesses on the part of the State;

Which motion did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Ball,	Mr. Briggs,	Mr. Romeyn,	3
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NAYS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Moffatt,	Mr. Stoddard,	
Barber,	Neasmith,	Storrs,	
Begole,	Price,	Waterbury,	
Cawley,	Prutzman,	Wheeler,	
Dexter,	Putnam,	Wood,	
Gay,	Randall,	President	
Jenks,	Sheley,	<i>pro tem.</i> ,	22
Mann,	Stockbridge,		

Mr. Waterbury moved that when the Senate adjourns to-day, it stand adjourned until Tuesday morning next, at 9 o'clock.

Mr. Romeyn moved to amend so that it shall stand adjourned until Tuesday next at 2 o'clock P. M.;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

Ordered, That the Senate Chamber be closed while the Senate consider the motion.

The question recurring on the original motion,

Mr. Wheeler called for yeas and nays.

The motion did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Begole,	Mr. Mann,	Mr. Stoddard,	
Gay,	Romeyn,		5

NAYS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Moffatt,	Mr. Stockbridge,	
Ball,	Neasmith,	Storrs,	
Barber,	Price,	Wheeler,	
Briggs,	Prutzman,	Wood,	
Cawley,	Putnam,	President	
Dexter,	Randall,	<i>pro tem.</i> ,	19
Jenks,	Sheley,		

Pending the announcement of the vote, Mr. Moffatt moved that Mr. Waterbury be excused from voting ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

The doors of the Senate were opened, and the President *pro tem.* announced that the pending motion had not been agreed to.

The President declared the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

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Lansing, Saturday, May 18, 1872.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, was called to order by the President *pro tem.*, at 9 o'clock A. M., that being the hour fixed for the sitting for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Romeyn asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Begole for the day.

Mr. Briggs asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Morton for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Alexander offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourn to-day, it adjourn until Tuesday morning next, at 9 o'clock.

Mr. Moffatt called for the yeas and nays.

The resolution was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Price,	Mr. Wheeler,	
Briggs,	Randall,	Wilcox,	
Cawley,	Romeyn,	Wood,	
Gay,	Stockbridge,	President	
Jenks,	Waterbury,	<i>pro tem.</i> ,	
Neasmith,			15

NAYS.

Mr. Ball,	Mr. Moffatt,	Mr. Putnam,
Barber,	Prutzman,	Storrs,
Dexter,		

Mr. Waterbury offered the following resolution :

“Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be directed to discharge from their duty all of his assistants but one.”

Mr. Wheeler moved to amend the resolution by adding thereto the words “and that all messenger boys but one be discharged by the President.”

Mr. Wheeler called for the yeas and nays.

The motion to amend did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Barber, Dexter, Neasmith, Price,	Mr. Randall, Stockbridge, Storrs,	Mr. Waterbury, Wheeler, Wood,	10
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NAYS.

Mr. Alexander, Ball, Briggs, Cawley, Gay,	Mr. Jenks, Moffatt, Prutzman, Putnam, Romeyn,	Mr. Wilcox, President <i>pro tem,</i>	12
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The resolution was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander, Ball, Barber, Briggs, Cawley, Dexter, Gay, Jenks,	Mr. Moffatt, Neasmith, Price, Prutzman, Putnam, Randall, Romeyn, Stockbridge,	Mr. Storrs, Waterbury, Wheeler, Wilcox, Wood, President <i>pro tem.,</i>	20
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Mr. Moffatt submitted the following order, and moved its adoption :

Ordered, That the argument in this case be opened, on behalf of the prosecution, by at least two of the Managers ; that they be followed by the counsel for the respondent, and the final argument made by one of the Managers ;

Which motion did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ball, Barber, Briggs,	Mr. Moffatt, Price, Prutzman,	Mr. Randall, President <i>pro tem.</i> , 8
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NAYS.

Mr. Cawley, Dexter, Gay, Jenks,	Mr. Neasmith, Putnam, Stockbridge, Storrs,	Mr. Waterbury, Wheeler, Wood, 11
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A. N. Hart, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

James I. Mead, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

N. W. Wright, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

J. S. Tooker, a witness on the part of the State, was called, and, after having been duly sworn, was examined by the Managers and cross-examined by the counsel for the accused.

The Managers announced that the evidence on the part of the State was closed, except as to the witness, Jane Bolton.

Mr. Shipman submitted the following order:

Ordered, That this cause be argued as follows: *First*. By one Manager. *Second*. By one of the respondent's counsel. *Third*. By another of the Managers. *Fourth*. By another of respondent's counsel. *Fifth*. That the final argument be made, and the case closed, by one Manager.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler, it was adopted as the order of the Senate, sitting as a court, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Barber, Cawley, Dexter, Gay, Moffatt, Neasmith,	Mr. Price, Prutzman, Putnam, Randall, Stockbridge, Storrs,	Mr. Waterbury, Wheeler Wilcox, Wood, President <i>pro tem.</i> , 17
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NAYS.

Mr. Briggs,

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On motion of Mr. Stockbridge, the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until Tuesday morning, at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Tuesday, May 21, 1872.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, was called to order by the President *pro tem.*, at 9 o'clock A. M., that being the hour fixed for the sitting for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Manager Cochrane commenced his argument in support of the articles of impeachment, and concluded the same.

Mr. McGowan, of counsel for the accused, commenced his argument for the defense, and, before its conclusion,

The hour of 12 o'clock M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* announced that the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, would take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Grosvenor, on behalf of the Managers, called Jane Bolton, and asked that her testimony be received at this time, in accordance with an order of the Senate.

Mr. Shipman objected to the witness being sworn.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

Ordered, That the Senate Chamber be closed while the Senate consider the matter.

It was ordered that the testimony of the witness be not received, by yeas and nays, as follows.

YEAS.

Mr. Begole,
Jenks,
Mann,

Mr. Sheley,
Stoddard,

Mr. Storrs,
Waterbury,

7

NAYS.

Mr. Alexander,
Briggs,
Cawley,
Dexter,
Gay,
Moffatt,

Mr. Neasmith,
Price,
Prutzman,
Putnam,
Randall,
Romeyn,

Mr. Wheeler,
Wilcox,
Wood,
President
pro tem.,

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On motion of Mr. Romeyn,

The doors of the Senate were opened.

The President *pro tem.* announced that the objection of the counsel for the accused was sustained, and the testimony of the witness would not be received.

Mr. McGowan resumed his argument for the defense, and concluded the same at ten minutes past four o'clock P. M.

The President declared the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Wednesday, May 22, 1872.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, was called to order by the President *pro tem.*, at 9 o'clock A. M., that being the hour fixed for the sitting for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called; quorum present.

Mr. Manager Huston commenced his argument in support of the articles of impeachment, and, before concluding the same,

The hour of 12 o'clock M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* announced that the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, would take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Huston resumed his argument in support of the articles of impeachment, and concluded the same.

Mr. Shipman commenced his argument for the defense, and, before concluding the same,

Mr. Wheeler offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the proceedings of this Court of Impeachment, with all the preliminary proceedings in the House of Representatives, be corrected from the daily record, under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate, and that an index to the testimony and arguments be added; and that eight hundred copies of the same be printed and bound in book form,—five hundred copies to be disposed of as the official journals of the House and Senate are now disposed of, and three hundred copies to be deposited with the State Librarian, for exchanges with other States, or for sale at cost.

The resolution was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,
Begole,
Briggs,
Cawley,

Mr. Moffatt,
Price,
Prutzman,
Putnam,

Mr. Stoddard,
Storrs,
Wheeler,
Wood,

Mr. Dexter,
Gay,
Jenks,

Mr. Randall,
Romeyn,
Stockbridge,

Mr. President
pro tem.,
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NAYS.

Mr. Ball,
Barber,
Hannahs,

Mr. Mann,
Neasmith,

Mr. Sheley,
Wilcox,

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Mr. Alexander moved that the Senate adjourn ;

Mr. Moffatt called for the yeas and nays ;

The motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,
Ball,
Briggs,
Dexter,
Gay,
Jenks,

Mr. Mann,
Neasmith,
Putnam,
Stockbridge,
Stoddard,

Mr. Storrs,
Wheeler,
Wilcox,
President
pro tem.,
15

NAYS.

Mr. Barber,
Begole,
Cawley,
Hannahs,

Mr. Moffatt,
Price,
Prutzmam,
Randall,

Mr. Romeyn,
Sheley,
Wood,
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And the President *pro tem.* declared the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Thursday, May 23, 1872.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, was called to order by the President *pro tem.*, at 9 o'clock A. M., that being the hour fixed for the sitting for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made proclamation in due form.

Roll called : quorum present.

The President *pro tem.* announced the following :

STATE LIBRARY,
Lansing, April 11, 1872. }

HON. P. H. EMERSON,—*Sir* : Since the adjournment of the Legislature, I have endeavored to procure such books as the Senate would need when they should meet as a Court of Impeachment.

I sent an order to Little, Brown & Co., for some books. They have come and are in use. The bill for the same is \$25.60. I think that it would be most proper and right that the bill should be allowed and paid by the Senate now sitting as a Court of Impeachment, as I sent for the books for their especial use, and they may never be needed again.

It would be much better than for me to pay for them out of the small sum I have which was intended for the purchase of books for the use of the next Legislature.

Please take the matter into consideration.

Very respectfully,

MRS. HARRIET A. TENNEY,

State Librarian.

Mr. Wheeler moved that the Secretary be directed to draw an order on the State Treasurer, in favor of the State Librarian, for the sum of twenty-five dollars and sixty cents ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Shipman resumed his argument for the defense, and, before concluding the same,

The hour of 12 o'clock M. having arrived, the President *pro tem.* announced that the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, would take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Shipman resumed his argument for the defense, and closed the same.

Mr. Manager Grosvenor commenced his argument in support of the Articles of Impeachment, and, before concluding the same;

On motion of Mr. Sheley,

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, took a recess until 7 o'clock this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

7 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, met and was called to order by the President *pro tem*.

Proclamation was made in due form.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Huston announced that owing to the illness of Manager Grosvenor, he was unable to conclude his argument.

Mr. Cochrane submitted the following order, and asked its adoption:

Ordered, That Manager Grosvenor have leave, if he see fit, to file a written argument, in this cause, and that the same be printed with the proceedings herein.

On motion of Mr. Jenks,

It was adopted as the order of the Senate sitting as a Court.

Mr. Moffatt offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That Barnhardt Rice be allowed two dollars per diem as night-watch, in addition to his per diem as fireman during the session of the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment.

Mr. Romeyn submitted the following, which was adopted as the order of the Senate sitting as a Court:

Ordered, That leave be granted to such members of the Senate as may choose to avail themselves of it, to file their

written opinions upon matters either of law or fact, connected with the pending trial, such opinions to be printed with the Impeachment Proceedings.

Mr. Briggs submitted the following, which was adopted as the order of the Senate sitting as a Court:

Ordered, That when the Journal and Proceedings of the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, are printed, bound, and ready for delivery, that the Secretary of the Senate forward, by express, to each member and officer, the number they are each entitled to.

Mr. Romeyn submitted the following, which was adopted as the order of the Senate sitting as a Court:

IN THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN:

In the matter of the Impeachment and trial of Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office.

The evidence on the part of the People, and on that of the respondent, having been taken and duly considered by and before the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, and argument by the Managers representing the House of Representatives and the People of the State, and by counsel for the respondent, having been heard, and such evidence and argument having now concluded; it is

Ordered, That the question upon the Articles of Impeachment shall be taken as follows: The Presiding Officer shall direct the Secretary to read the several Articles, and after the reading of each Article in its numerical order, shall put the question of guilty or not guilty, to each Senator, rising in his place, as follows:

Mr. Senator ———, how say you? Is the respondent, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan, guilty or not guilty, as charged in this Article?

And each Senator shall rise in his place, and answer, Guilty, or Not guilty, only.

Mr. Wood offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to compile the trial of Hon. Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, upon the impeachment before the Senate of Michigan, to add an appendix to the same with the exhibits filed in the case; to prepare an index to the testimony and arguments, and to furnish copy of the same, with all convenient dispatch, to the State Printer, and that for performing this duty he be paid the sum of —— dollars.

The blank was filled with the words "one hundred and fifty," and the resolution was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Mann,	Mr. Stockbridge,
Ball,	Moffatt,	Stoddard,
Barber,	Price,	Waterbury,
Begole,	Prutzman,	Wheeler,
Briggs,	Putnam,	Wilcox,
Dexter,	Randall,	Wood,
Mr. Gay,	Mr. Romeyn,	President
Hannahs,	Sheley,	<i>pro tem.</i> ,
Jenks,		24

NAYS.

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Mr. Randall offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, be tendered to Hon. P. H. Emerson, President *pro tem.*, for the ability, fairness, and uniform courtesy, with which he has discharged his important and responsible duties.

The motion to adopt was put by the Secretary, and the resolution adopted unanimously.

Mr. Romeyn submitted the following, and moved the adoption as the order of the Senate sitting as a Court.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to forward to the members and officers, the remaining Journals and Impeachment Proceedings of the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Mann,	Mr. Stockbridge,
Ball,	Moffatt,	Stoddard,
Barber,	Neasmith,	Waterbury,
Begole,	Price,	Wheeler,
Briggs,	Prutzman,	Wilcox,
Dexter,	Putnam,	Wood,
Gay,	Randall,	President
Hannahs,	Romeyn,	<i>pro tem.,</i>
Jenks,	Sheley,	25

NAYS.

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On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

Ordered, That the doors of the Senate be closed.

After deliberation,

On motion of Mr. Jenks,

The doors of the Senate were opened.

Mr. Wheeler offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That an order on the State Treasurer be drawn for the sum of forty-seven dollars and eighty-five cents, for incidental expenses, advanced by the Secretary of the Senate; also, for additional assistance engaged by him at the opening proceedings of this Court; also, in favor of the postmaster at Lansing, for such sum as may be necessary to pay postage on Journals and Impeachment Proceedings, ordered mailed to members of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Jenks,

The Senate sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock.

Lansing, Friday, May 24, 1872.

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, was called to order by the President *pro tem.*, at 8 o'clock A. M., that being the hour fixed for the sitting for the trial of the impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made the usual proclamation.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Barber offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the President and Secretary be allowed until Saturday, the second day of June, to complete the business of the Senate, and that they have *per diem* allowance to that date.

Mr. Barber offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be extended to the Secretary, to the Sergeant-at-Arms and his assistants, and to the reporters, for their uniform courtesy and ability, exercised in the discharge of their duties during the progress of this impeachment trial.

Mr. Wheeler offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the *per diem* of Charles T. Dickey, Sergeant-at-Arms, be fixed at the sum of five dollars per day instead of four dollars per day.

Mr. Briggs offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the *per diem* of the Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms be increased to five dollars per day.

Mr. Waterbury called for the yeas and nays.

The resolution was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alexander,
Barber,
Begole,
Briggs,
Cawley,
Dexter,

Mr. Gay,
Hannahs,
Putnam,
Romeyn,
Stockbridge,
Wheeler,

Mr. Wilcox,
Wood,
President,
pro tem., 15

NAYS.

Mr. Jenks,
Mann,
Moffatt,
Neasmith,

Mr. Price,
Prutzman,
Randall,
Sheley,

Mr. Stoddard,
Storrs,
Waterbury,

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Mr. Romeyn presented a written opinion in regard to the preliminary questions argued before this Senate, sitting as a Court, which was received and ordered filed.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler, it was

Ordered, That the Senate do now proceed to vote on the separate Articles of Impeachment.

The Secretary, by direction of the President *pro tem.*, read the First Article of Impeachment, as follows:

ARTICLE I.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the Land Office of the State of Michigan, on the fourth day of January, 1871, and on diverse other days and times, between that day and the time when said House of Representatives passed the resolution of impeachment against him, to wit: the 28th day of March, 1872, unmindful of the high duties of his office, of his oath of office, and of the requirements of the Constitution and the laws of this State, did corruptly, unlawfully, and in violation of the Constitution and laws of this State, withhold from sale divers large tracts of land for the particular benefit and advantage of certain land-dealers, and for a private pecuniary consideration to himself, his Deputy, and clerks, to the damage and inconvenience of the actual settlers, other dealers, and the people of the State generally; and the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, was in this manner then and there guilty of corrupt conduct in office, and did commit a misdemeanor in office.

The President *pro tem.* directed the Secretary to call the names of the Senators.

Each Senator, as his name was called, rose in his place, and the President *pro tem.* proposed to him the following question:

“Mr. Senator ———, how say you? Is the respondent, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan, guilty, or not guilty, as charged in this Article?”

The Senators who answered “Guilty” are, Senators Ball, Begole, Cawley, Dexter, Gay, Jenks, Mann, Moffatt, Neasmith, Romeyn, Sheley, Stoddard, Storrs, Waterbury, Wheeler, and Wilcox.

The Senators who answered “Not guilty” are, Senators Alexander, Barber, Briggs, Hannahs, Price, Prutzman, Putnam, Randall, Stockbridge, Wood, and President *pro tem*.

The President *pro tem*. declared that two-thirds of the Senators elect not having pronounced him guilty, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, stood acquitted of the charges contained in the First Article of Impeachment.

The Secretary, by direction of the President *pro tem*., read the Second Article of Impeachment, as follows:

ARTICLE II.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of said State Land Office, on divers days and times, between the time of assuming the duties of his office, to wit: about the fourth day of January, 1871, and the day of the passage of the said resolution of impeachment, the basis of these articles, unmindful of the high duties of his office, of his oath of office, and in violation of the Constitution and laws of the State of Michigan, and contrary to the provisions of an act entitled “An act to prevent officers and clerks in the State Land Office, and in Auditor General’s Office, from purchasing lands while in the employ of the State,” approved March 16, 1861, did corruptly, unlawfully, by himself, and with his Deputy, and also with his clerks in said office, directly and indirectly engage in the purchase of lands from the State, and for sale in the Land Office of this State, of which he was chief.

And the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, was thus, then and there guilty of corrupt

conduct in office, and did commit a high misdemeanor in office.

The President *pro tem.* directed the Secretary to call the names of the Senators.

Each Senator, as his name was called, rose in his place, and the President *pro tem.*, proposed to him the following question :

“Mr. Senator——, how say you ? Is the respondent, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan, guilty, or not guilty, as charged in this Article?”

The Senators who answered “Guilty” are, Senators Alexander, Briggs, Jenks, and Stoddard.

The Senators who answered “Not guilty” are, Senators Ball, Barber, Begole, Cawley, Dexter, Gay, Hannahs, Mann, Moffatt, Neasmith, Price, Prutzman, Putnam, Randall, Romeyn, Sheley, Stockbridge, Storrs, Waterbury, Wheeler, Wilcox, Wood, and President *pro tem.*

The President *pro tem.* declared that two-thirds of all the Senators elect not having pronounced him guilty, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, stood acquitted of the charges contained in the Second Article of Impeachment.

The Secretary, by direction of the President *pro tem.*, read the Third Article of Impeachment, as follows :

ARTICLE III.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of said State Land Office, unmindful of the duties of his office, and his oath of office, having knowledge that large numbers of actual settlers to whom license had been issued in pursuance of act No. 108, Session Laws of 1861, being an act entitled “An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to provide for the settlement and drainage of the swamp lands by actual settlers,’ being act No. 229, laws of 1859,” were in possession of their lands under their said licenses, and had been in possession thereof

for a long time, and made valuable improvements thereon, and complied with the laws of this State in regard to licensing lands to actual settlers fully, except filing with the Commissioner of the Land Office the proofs of settlement and occupancy, required by section four of said act No. 108, laws of 1861, and he, the said Edmonds, being acquainted with the practice in said office ever since the passage of said act No. 108, laws of 1861, to withhold from sale such licensed lands, except in cases where proofs by the affidavit of two credible witnesses was filed, showing non-settlement and abandonment by the licensee, did corruptly, and for the purpose of pecuniary gain to himself, his Deputy, and clerks, about the month of October, 1871, decide that such lands were subject to sale without such proof of non-settlement or abandonment, as had been the practice of said office, and he, the said Charles A. Edmonds, did then and there, by himself, his Deputy, and clerks, corruptly, and for the purpose of securing gain as aforesaid, furnish to divers persons the description of such licensed lands, when the proofs of settlement and occupancy had not been filed in accordance with said section four aforesaid, which said persons purchased said lands, and to whom said Commissioner issued patents, whereby a gross fraud was practiced upon such actual settlers, and large profits and gains made, in which said Edmonds, his Deputy, and clerks were interested.

And said Edmonds, being so unmindful of his duty and oath of office, and the policy of the State to protect the actual settlers, has corruptly furnished and permitted his Deputy and clerks corruptly to furnish such descriptions of licensed lands to divers persons, on divers days and times, since the decision aforesaid, and before the passage of the resolution of impeachment by the House of Representatives, which said persons purchased said descriptions, to whom patents were issued by said Commissioner, he, said Commissioner, his Deputy, and clerks being indirectly interested therein.

And the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, was thus then and there guilty of corrupt conduct in office, and did commit a misdemeanor in office.

The President *pro tem.* directed the Secretary to call the names of the Senators.

Each Senator, as his name was called, rose in his place, and the President *pro tem.* proposed to him the following question :

“Mr. Senator —, how say you ? Is the respondent, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan, guilty, or not guilty, as charged in this Article ?”

The Senators who answered “Guilty,” are, Senators Begole, Cawley, Dexter, Gay, Jenks, Mann, Putnam, Sheley, Stoddard, Storrs, Waterbury, and Wheeler.

The Senators who answered “Not guilty” are, Senators Alexander, Ball, Barber, Briggs, Hannahs, Moffatt, Neasmith, Price, Prutzman, Randall, Romeyn, Stockbridge, Wilcox, Wood, and President *pro tem.*

The President *pro tem.* declared that two-thirds of the Senators elect not having pronounced him guilty, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, stood acquitted of the charges contained in the Third Article of Impeachment.

The Secretary, by direction of the President *pro tem.*, read the Fourth Article of Impeachment, as follows :

ARTICLE IV.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, unmindful of the high and responsible duties of his office, and of his oath of office, on the first day of June, 1871, in the said Land Office, at Lansing, in the county of Ingham, and on divers other days and times during his official term at Lansing, aforesaid, did unlawfully conspire with one William G. Patrick, and divers other persons unknown, fraudulently to withhold from sale, and mark, or cause to be marked, as sold, large quantities of State lands, for the benefit of said

conspirators, in fraud of other *bona fide* purchasers and settlers, with the intent to cheat and defraud such *bona fide* purchasers and actual settlers, and all others who might wish to purchase the same.

And in pursuance of said conspiracy the said Charles A. Edmonds did mark, or cause to be marked, in said office, on the plat-books thereof, as sold, large tracts of land that were not sold, by which Edmonds, his Deputy, and clerks in office corruptly received large sums of money; and said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, was guilty of corrupt conduct in office, a violation of his oath of office, and a great fraud upon the people of this State.

The President *pro tem.* directed the Secretary to call the names of the Senators. Each Senator as his name was called rose in his place, and the President *pro tem.* proposed to him the following question :

“ Mr. Senator —, how say you ? Is the respondent, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan, guilty, or not guilty, as charged in this Article ? ”

All the Senators present voted “ Not Guilty,” as follows : Senators Alexander, Ball, Barber, Begole, Briggs, Cawley, Dexter, Gay, Hannahs, Jenks, Mann, Moffatt, Neasmith, Price, Prutzman, Putnam, Randall, Romeyn, Sheley, Stockbridge, Stoddard, Storrs, Waterbury, Wheeler, Wilcox, Wood, President *pro tem.*

The President *pro tem.* declared that two thirds of the Senators elect not having pronounced him guilty, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, stood acquitted of the charges contained in the Fourth Article of Impeachment.

The Secretary, by direction of the President *pro tem.*, read the Fifth Article of Impeachment, as follows :

ARTICLE V.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the said State Land Office, from time to time, from the commencement

of his official term in January, 1871, to the time of the passage of the resolution of impeachment in this case, to wit: the 28th of March, 1872, unmindful of the high duties of his office, in violation of his official duties, his oath of office, and the laws of this State, did, in his office, and with his Deputy in office, and in his official time, so engage in, and carry on, the purchase and sale of swamp land "scrip" (so-called), as to operate in fraud of, and to the damage of the primary school fund, the several counties of this State, and of the Treasury of the State.

And the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, was in this manner then and there guilty of corrupt conduct in office, and did commit a misdemeanor in office.

The President *pro tem.* directed the Secretary to call the names of the Senators.

Each Senator, as his name was called, rose in his place, and the President *pro tem.* proposed to him the following question:

"Mr. Senator ———, how say you? Is the respondent, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, of the State of Michigan, guilty, or not guilty, as charged in this Article?"

The Senators who answered "Guilty" are, Senators Begole, Cawley, Jenks, Mann, Romeyn, Sheley, Storrs, and Waterbury,

The Senators who announced "Not guilty" are, Senators Alexander, Ball, Barber, Briggs, Dexter, Gay, Hannahs, Moffatt, Neasmith, Price, Prutzman, Putnam, Randall, Stockbridge, Stoddard, Wheeler, Wilcox, Wood, and President *pro tem.*

The President *pro tem.* declared that two-thirds of all the Senators elect not having pronounced him guilty, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, stood acquitted of the charges contained in the Fifth Article of Impeachment.

The Secretary, by direction of the President *pro tem.*, read the Sixth Article of Impeachment, as follows:

ARTICLE VI.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, during his official term as such Commissioner, to wit: from about the first day of January, 1871, to the 28th day of March, 1872, unmindful of the high and responsible duties of his office, of his oath of office, and disregarding the rights of the people of this State, and for the corrupt and unlawful purpose of personal benefit and gain, did appoint and keep in his office, as clerks, certain men of dissolute habits and character, and unworthy the high trust and confidence necessarily required of men in their positions, and did, also, allow his clerks in office, in violation of the laws of this State, to purchase, directly and indirectly, from the State, lands for sale in said Land Office, and to be interested in purchases made in the name of others, directly and indirectly, and to traffic, and corruptly sell and get unlawful gain, in the sale of valuable information contained in such office, within their knowledge as such clerks, and to act as the agents, for reward, of certain land-dealers, in entering land, thus giving such dealers an undue advantage over others seeking the entry of lands at said office.

And the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, was thus, then and there, guilty of corrupt conduct in office, and did commit a misdemeanor in office.

The President *pro tem.* directed the Secretary to call the names of the Senators.

Each Senator, as his name was called, rose in his place, and the President *pro tem.* proposed to him the following question:

“Mr. Senator ———, how say you?. Is the respondent, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, of the State of Michigan, guilty, or not guilty, as charged in this Article?”

The Senators who answered “Guilty” are, Senators Begole, Cawley, Dexter, Hannahs, Jenks, Mann, Moffatt, Neasmith, Putnam, Romeyn, Sheley, Stoddard, Storrs, Waterbury, Wheeler, and Wood.

The Senators who answered "Not guilty" are, Senators Alexander, Ball, Barber, Briggs, Gay, Price, Prutzman, Randall, Stockbridge, Wilcox, and President *pro tem*.

The President *pro tem*. declared that two-thirds of all the Senators elect not having pronounced him guilty, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, stood acquitted of the charges contained in the Sixth Article of Impeachment.

The Secretary, by direction of the President *pro tem*., read the Seventh Article of Impeachment, as follows :

ARTICLE VII.

The said Charles A. Edmonds, being a public officer of the State of Michigan, through whose hands public moneys pass, to wit: the Commissioner of the Land Office aforesaid, has at divers times during the present term of his said office, and as such officer, received moneys current by the laws of the United States as moneys in payment for certain lands belonging to the State of Michigan, and has corruptly, and in violation of the laws of this State, and especially in violation of section two hundred and thirty-four of the Compiled Laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, converted or changed said moneys into swamp land scrip, so-called, retaining said moneys for his own use and benefit, in whole or in part, and entering said lands, in payment for which he had received said moneys, as purchased and paid for by said scrip, and has not deposited or turned over to the proper officer of the State said moneys, so received in purchase of said lands.

By reason whereof the said Charles A. Edmonds has committed a crime against the laws of this State, and is guilty of misconduct in office.

The President *pro tem*. directed the Secretary to call the names of the Senators.

Each Senator, as his name was called, rose in his place, and the President *pro tem*. proposed to him the following question :

"Mr. Senator ———, how say you? Is the respondent,

Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan, guilty, or not guilty, as charged in this Article."

Senator Sheley answered "Guilty."

The Senators who answered "Not guilty" are, Senators Alexander, Ball, Barber, Begole, Briggs, Cawley, Dexter, Gay, Hannahs, Jenks, Mann, Moffatt, Neasmith, Price, Prutzman, Putnam, Randall, Romeyn, Stockbridge, Stoddard, Storrs, Waterbury, Wheeler, Wilcox, Wood, and President *pro tem*.

The President *pro tem*. declared that two-thirds of all the Senators elect not having pronounced him guilty, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, stood acquitted of the charges contained in the Seventh Article of Impeachment.

The Secretary, by direction of the President *pro tem*., read the eighth article of impeachment, as follows:

ARTICLE VIII.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, unmindful of the dignity and high duties of this office, and of the wholesome requirements of the laws of the State, on or about the first day of March, 1872, at the city of Lansing, the Capital of this State, contriving and intending to debauch and corrupt the morals, as well of youth as of others, good citizens of this State, did, at the time and place aforesaid, and at other times and in other places in this State, unlawfully, wickedly, maliciously, and scandalously publish, circulate, and distribute, or cause to be published, circulated, and distributed, a certain anonymous and obscene printed paper entitled "Every Wednesday Night," containing impure, scandalous, and obscene matters, language, and description, manifestly unbecoming the dignity of his office, a scandal in the community, and tending to the corruption of the morals of youth, and other good citizens of this State, and to the evil example of all others, and in violation of the laws of the State, and against the peace and dignity of the people of this State.

And the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land office, did thus, then and there, commit and was guilty of a misdemeanor, contrary to the form of the statute, and against the peace and dignity of the people of the State of Michigan.

The President *pro tem.* directed the Secretary to call the names of the Senators.

Each Senator, as his name was called, rose in his place, and the President *pro tem.* proposed to him the following question:

“Mr. Senator ———, how say you? Is the respondent, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan, guilty or not guilty, as charged in this Article?”

The Senators who answered “Guilty” are, Senators Begole, Cawley, Dexter, Mann, Price, Putnam, Romeyn, Sheley, Stockbridge, Stoddard, Storrs, Waterbury, Wilcox, and Wood.

The Senators who answered “Not guilty” are, Senators Alexander, Ball, Barber, Briggs, Gay, Hannahs, Jenks, Moffatt, Neasmith, Prutzman, Randall, Wheeler, and President *pro tem.*

The President *pro tem.* declared that two-thirds of the Senators elect not having pronounced him guilty, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, stood acquitted of the charges contained in the Eighth Article of Impeachment.

The Secretary, by direction of the President *pro tem.*, read the Ninth Article of Impeachment, as follows:

ARTICLE IX.

That the said Charles A. Edmonds did during the months of March or April last past, and while he was such Commissioner of said Land Office, knowingly, willfully, and maliciously, at Laporte, in the State of Indiana, and elsewhere in the United States, deposit, or cause to be deposited, in the postoffice at said Laporte, and in the several postoffices at other places in the United States, for mailing, or for delivery from said postoffice or postoffices, a certain obscene print or publication, in

the form of newspapers, and entitled "Every Wednesday Night," knowing the same to be of a vulgar and indecent character, in violation of the laws of the United States, and especially of a statute of the United States entitled "An act relating to the postal laws," approved March 3, 1865.

By which act of depositing, or causing to be deposited, said print or publication, in said postoffice at said Laporte and elsewhere, he, the said Charles A. Edmonds, did commit a crime against the laws of the United States.

The President *pro tem.* directed the Secretary to call the names of the Senators.

Each Senator, as his name was called, rose in his place, and the President *pro tem.* proposed to him the following question :

"Mr. Senator ———, how say you? Is the respondent, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan, guilty, or not guilty, as charged in this Article?"

The Senators who answered "Guilty" are, Senators Begole, Cawley, Dexter, Price, Putnam, Sheley, Storrs, and Waterbury.

The Senators who answered "Not Guilty" are, Senators Alexander, Ball, Barber, Briggs, Gay, Hannahs, Jenks, Mann, Moffatt, Neasmith, Prutzman, Randall, Romeyn, Stockbridge, Stoddard, Wheeler, Wilcox, Wood, and President *pro tem.*

The President *pro tem.* declared that two-thirds of all the Senators elect not having pronounced him guilty, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, stood acquitted of the charges contained in the Ninth Article of Impeachment.

The Secretary, by direction of the President *pro tem.*, read the Tenth Article of Impeachment, as follows :

ARTICLE X.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, unmindful of the dignity of his office, his duties, his oath of office, and the requirements of the laws of this State, at divers times during his official term as such Commis-

ioner, since the fifth day of July, 1871, at the city of Lansing, and in other places within this State, has been drunk, or so affected by his drinking of intoxicating liquors, as to disgrace his office and unfit him for the discharge of his official duties; and the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land office, did thus and then and there show good cause for his removal from office, under the provisions of an act entitled "An act to subject all persons holding office under the government of the State of Michigan to removal from office for drunkenness," approved April 5, 1871.

The President *pro tem.* directed the Secretary to call the names of the Senators.

Each Senator, as his name was called, rose in his place, and the President *pro tem.* proposed to him the following question

"Mr. Senator —, how say you? Is the respondent, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan, guilty, or not guilty, as charged in this Article?"

All the Senators present answered "Not guilty," as follows: Senators Alexander, Ball, Barber, Begole, Briggs, Cawley, Dexter, Gay, Hannahs, Jenks, Mann, Moffatt, Neasmith, Price, Prutzman, Putnan, Randall, Romeyn, Sheley, Stockbridge, Stoddard, Storrs, Waterbury, Wheeler, Wilcox, Wood, and President *pro tem.*

The President *pro tem.* declared that two-thirds of all the Senators elect not having pronounced him guilty, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, stood acquitted of the charges contained in the Tenth Article of Impeachment.

The Secretary, by direction of the President *pro tem.*, read the Eleventh Article of Impeachment, as follows:

ARTICLE XI.

That said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, unmindful of the dignity, high duties, and position of his office, and of the laws of this State, and the wholesome requirements of the laws of decency and morality,

did, on or about the tenth day of October, 1871, at the city of Lansing, situated in the county of Ingham, at the Lansing House, commit adultery with a female whose name is unknown, he, the said Edmonds, then and there being a married man; and did also, since he entered upon the duties of his said office, at divers other times and places in said Lansing, commit further and other adulteries, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the people of this State.

And the said Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, did thus, then, and there commit and was guilty of a crime, contrary to the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the people of the State of Michigan.

The President *pro tem* directed the Secretary to call the names of the Senators.

Each Senator, as his name was called, rose in his place, and the President *pro tem* proposed to him the following question:

"Mr. Senator ———, how say you? Is the respondent, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan, guilty, or not guilty, as charged in this Article?"

Senator Begole answered "Guilty."

The Senators who answered "Not guilty" are, Senators Alexander, Ball, Barber, Briggs, Cawley, Dexter, Gay, Hannahs, Jenks, Mann, Moffatt, Neasmith, Price, Prutzman, Putnam, Randall, Romeyn, Sheley, Stockbridge, Stoddard, Storrs, Waterbury, Wheeler, Wilcox, Wood, and President *pro tem*.

The President *pro tem* declared that two-thirds of all the Senators elect not having pronounced him guilty, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, stood acquitted of the charges contained in the Eleventh Article of Impeachment.

The President *pro tem* declared Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the Land Office of the State of Michigan, acquitted of all the charges in said Articles made and set forth.

Mr. Briggs presented a written opinion in regard to the preliminary questions argued before this Senate, sitting as a Court, which was received and ordered filed.

Mr. Alexander moved that the Secretary be authorized to draw an order for the amounts advanced by the several Managers for their expenses incurred in the trial of this impeachment;

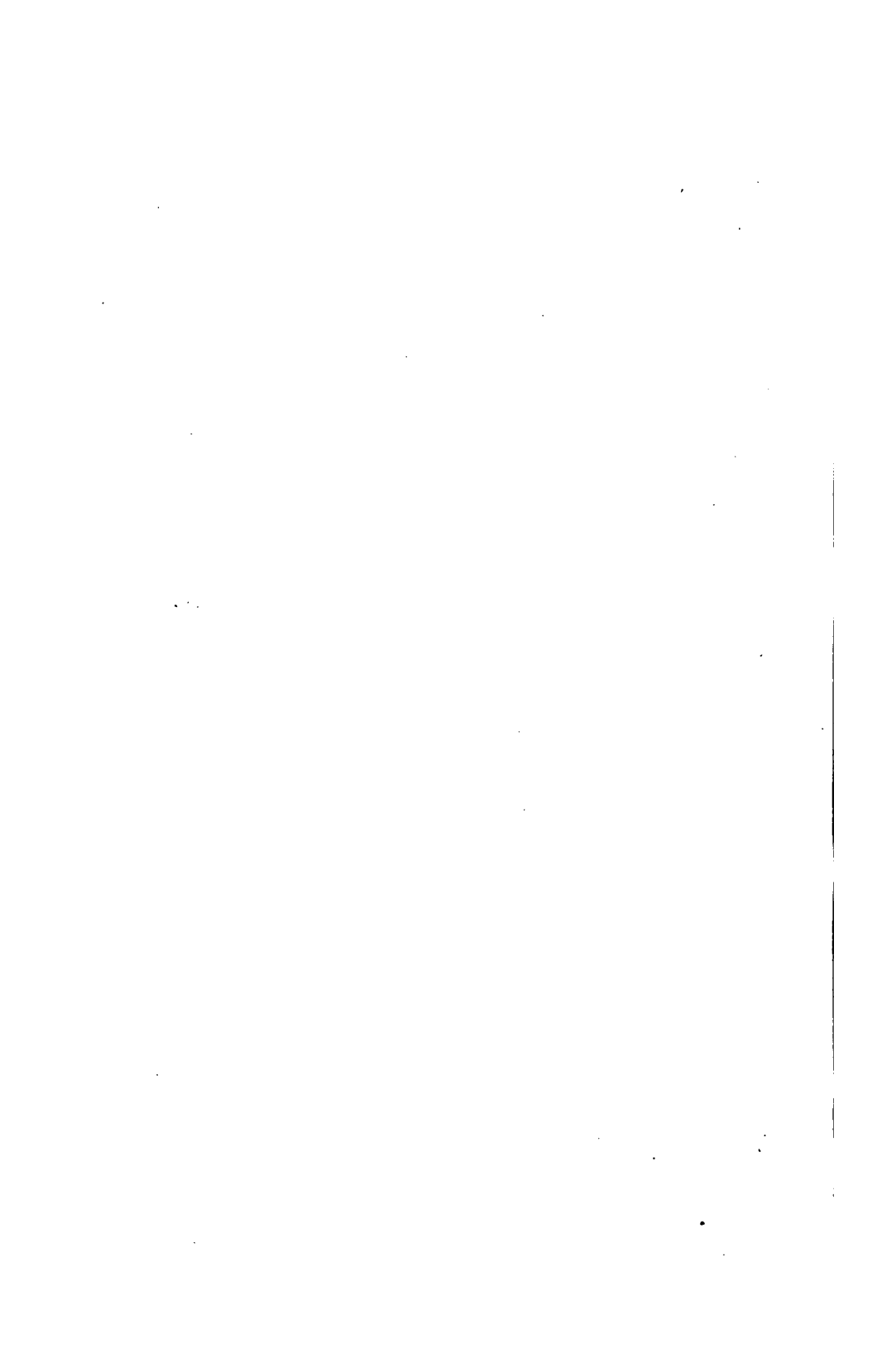
Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Ball offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate is hereby authorized and required to forward to each member of the Senate, to each Manager, and to the respondent and his counsel, three copies of the Impeachment Record, as prepared and bound by the State Printer.

On motion of Mr. Romeyn,

The Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned without day.

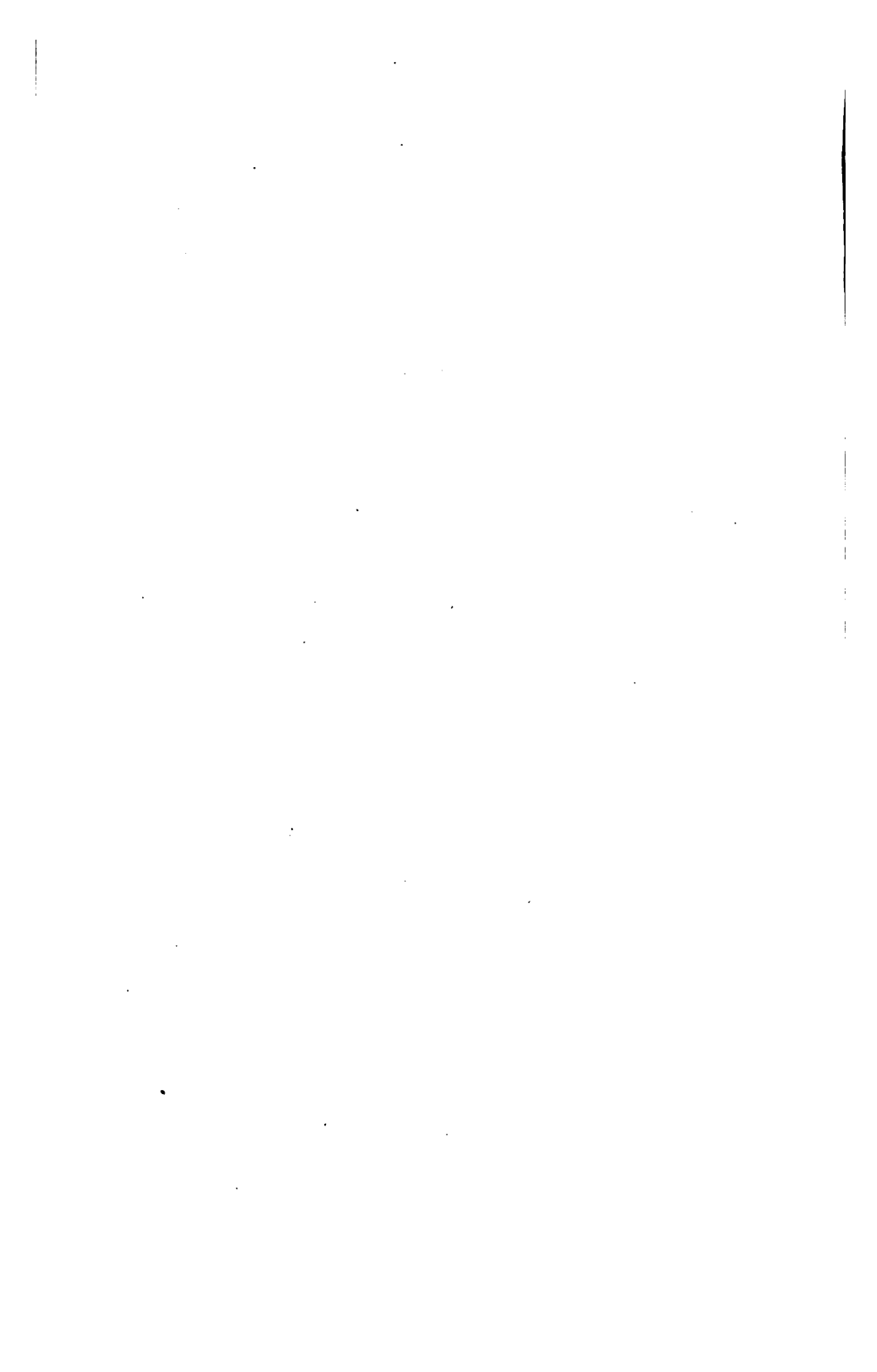


SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, May 24, 1872. }

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct journal of the proceedings of the Senate sitting as a Court for the trial of the Impeachment of Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office.

HENRY S. SLEEPER,
Secretary of the Senate.

APPENDIX.



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[EXHIBIT A.]

PRIMARY SCHOOL LAND CERTIFICATE.

No. 10934.

In the Name of the People of the State of Michigan :

I, CHARLES A. EDMONDS, Commissioner of the State Land Office, agreeably to the provisions of law, hereby certify, that at a private sale, on the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, Cyrus Hewitt of Ingham county, State of Michigan, for and in consideration of the sum of six hundred and forty dollars, purchased the lands described as follows, that is to say: The northwest quarter of the southwest quarter, the south half of the southwest quarter, and the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section No. sixteen, in township No. 32 north, of range No. 2 west, containing 160 acres, according to the returns of the Surveyor General, at four dollars per acre. And I do further certify, that the consideration received therefor from the said purchaser is the sum of one hundred and sixty dollars, and that the consideration to be paid by the said purchaser is the sum of four hundred and eighty dollars, to be paid at any time hereafter, at the option of the purchaser; but the interest of seven per centum, upon the whole amount of principal unpaid, to be paid annually, on the first day of March, or within sixty days thereafter, in each and every year, at the office of the State Treasurer: *Provided*, That in case of the non-payment

of the interest annually, as aforesaid, by the said purchaser, or by any person or persons claiming under him, then this certificate shall be void and of no effect, and all the right, title, and interest of the said Cyrus Hewitt, or of any person or persons claiming under him, of, in, and to the aforesaid land, shall be forfeited and become void.

Provided further, That the same may be redeemed, either before the time appointed for the sale of lands at publication, or within one year after such sale, by paying at the office of the State Treasurer, all interest due, with 25 per cent penalty, and charges for appraisal and advertising upon the same, together with interest at the rate of twenty-five per cent per annum, to be paid to any subsequent purchaser, from the date of forfeited sale, to the date of redemption; but in case of failure to redeem as aforesaid, the forfeiture shall be absolute; the rights of the purchaser, or of any person or persons claiming under him, shall be forever void and of no effect; and the full title to such land, and the possession thereof, shall, without any act or proceeding at law, or otherwise, revert in the State, which shall, immediately after such forfeiture, be deemed to be in actual possession thereof, and the said Commissioner may re-sell the same, pursuant to the provisions of law.

And provided further, That in case the said purchaser, or any person or persons claiming under him, shall suffer or permit said land, or any part thereof, to become delinquent for the non-payment of taxes, or shall commit any waste on said land, or any part thereof, then this certificate shall be void and of no effect; and all the right, title, and interest of the said Cyrus Hewitt, or any person or persons claiming under him, of, in, and to the said described land, shall be forfeited and become void.

Given under my hand, and the seal of the State
[L. s.] Land Office, this first day of May, 1872.

W. A. BARNARD,
Dep. Commissioner.

\$160.00.

STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, May 1, 1872. }

Received the within mentioned payment of one hundred and sixty dollars.

V. P. COLLIER,
State Treasurer.

F. M. H.

[Countersigned.]

WM. HUMPHREY, *Auditor General,*

G. F. H.

Examined and entered.

V. P. COLLIER,
State Treasurer,

F. M. H.

[EXHIBIT B.]

For a valuable consideration, to me in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, I do, by these presents, assign, transfer, and set over to Richard S. Thomas of Portland, Ionia county, Michigan, all my right, title, interest, claim, and demand of, in, and to the within certificate of sale, No 10984, being the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$, S. $\frac{1}{2}$ of S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$, and S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 16, Town 32 N. Range 2 W., containing 160 acres, issued by the Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan, to myself, May 1, in the year A. D. 1872, and of, in, and to the premises therein described.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand

[L. S.] and seal, this 1st day of May, A. D. 1872.

CYRUS HEWITT.

In presence of

H. T. CARPENTER,

E. A. WILDER.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss.
INGHAM COUNTY, }

On this 1st day of May, A. D. 1872, personally came before me, a notary public in and for said county, the above named Cyrus Hewitt, known to me to be the person who executed the foregoing assignment, and acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

H. T. CARPENTER,
Notary Public, Ingham Co.

[EXHIBIT C.]

For a valuable consideration, to me in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, I do by these presents assign, transfer, and set over to David W. Allison of Saginaw City, Michigan, all my right, title, interest, claim, and demand of, in, and to the within certificate of sale, No. 10934, being the northwest quarter of southwest quarter, south half of southwest quarter and S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 16, Town 32 N. Range 2 West, containing one hundred and sixty acres, issued by the Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan, to Cyrus W. Hewitt, May 1, in the year A. D. 1872, and of, in, and to the premises therein described.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand
[L. S.] and seal, this 1st day of May, 1872.

RICHARD S. THOMAS.

In presence of

DWIGHT T. SMITH,

H. T. CARPENTER.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss.
INGHAM COUNTY, }

On this 3d day of May, A. D. 1872, personally came before me, a notary public in and for said county, the above named Richard S. Thomas, known to me to be the person who exe-

cuted the foregoing assignment, and acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

H. T. CARPENTER,
Notary Public, Ingham Co., Mich.

[EXHIBIT D.]

W. C. Bush, Esq., Saginaw City, M.:

D'R SIR—Yours received. The land on Sec. 22, 18 N., 2 W., and the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ —22—19 N.—2 W., has been applied for by E. Hall,—so you cannot get it.

I have your 17 tax deeds here, with \$6.15 charges. What shall I do with them?

I do not want Mr. Ripley to have anything on the plats I gave you east of Saginaw.

Look everything carefully along the Port Huron and Flint R. R., and in Lapeer and Tuscola counties.

I want everything that is worth taking,—all reserved lands, licenses, or forfeited lands.

I want 4,000 acres, if you can find that amount, and I will see that you are paid for looking, if you will come here directly after looking and keep away from Ripley.

Yours truly,

WM. A. BARNARD.

[EXHIBIT E.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, April 17, 1871. }

W. C. Bush, Esq., Saginaw City, M.:

D'R SIR—I send, to-day, plats of the Alpena country, for all towns I think worth looking, with lands once reserved or applied for checked in blue.

I wish you would look each town carefully for scattering lots of pine; if you can get eight hundred or a thousand

acres, I can reserve it on contract until we can sell it, and make something out of it. Do not sell to any one in Alpena—report direct to me.

E. Hall says he shall probably see you again soon in Saginaw City, and will talk with you again about the 18-2 lands. Can you locate, anywhere in the State, 3,000 acres of good black ash lands? If so, we can sell it. Let me know at once.

Very truly,

W. A. BARNARD.

[EXHIBIT F.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, March 6, 1871. }

W. C. Bush, Esq., Saginaw City, M.:

D'R SIR—Yours of Saturday, with proof, etc., received. I have made application for the two forties in 7-14 E.; will send patents as soon as I can get them.

Mr. Hall was here Saturday and consented to hold the two forties in 18 N., 2 W., and the fraction in 19 N., 2 W., until he could see you and make some arrangements with you for them. He said he would keep them until he saw you, and talked of trying to get some descriptions of you that he thinks you own.

Very truly,

W. A. BARNARD.

[EXHIBIT G.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, April 25, 1871. }

W. C. Bush, Esq., Saginaw City, M.:

D'R SIR—I have had the lands in 11 N., 12 E., reserved for you in E. Hall's name, so you can sell them if you wish.

I cannot possibly raise any money at present to help look the Alpena land. E. Hall thought if he could see you he could

make some arrangement with you, and wished me to say that he would furnish you money for expenses, if the land was properly looked and reserved on his contract. I might, perhaps, get you some scrip to apply towards looking the land, or you might sell some of the Tuscola lands to raise means.

Very truly,

W. A. BARNARD,

[EXHIBIT H.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, Jan. 31, 1870. }

W. C. Bush, Esq., Saginaw City, Mich.:

DEAR SIR—I received your letter Saturday, but have been out of town until to-day. I find that the taxes on S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ 15,—17 N. 4 W., have been paid. Your patent for the 80 will be ready to-morrow, and I will try and send your plats with it. I will try and sell the 10 N.—7 W. lands, or you get some one to furnish scrip and locate them with me,—if so, I will make it all right with you.

If I locate them I shall want to do it in your name, and have you assign the certificates.

Yours truly,

W. A. BARNARD.

[EXHIBIT I.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, March 19, 1870. }

W. C. Bush, Esq., Saginaw City, Mich.:

DEAR SIR—I inclose diagram of section 16,—14 N., 4 E., and wish you would look it for me and see if it is good.

It is near the plank road and I think there is a road on the west side of the section—and there has been some inquiry about it lately—look it and tell me which is the best. I have

marked that—that is vacant—and I think it is good farming land. If so, I want the best of it—look it as soon as you can.

I will send you plats of licensed lands east of Saginaw by the time you get the fo'r h't lands near St. Charles looked.

There is considerable in 13, 6 E., that ought to be good.

Yours truly,

WM. A. BARNARD.

[EXHIBIT J.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, December 7th, 1870. }

Wm. C. Bush, Saginaw City, M.:

DEAR SIR—I enclose plat 9 N., 1 W., Gratiot county, showing names on licensed lands, and lands ruled red reserved by Nichols Peacock, and lands shaded blue reserved by Luther Smith.

These lands are black ash bottoms and will be valuable for timber and for farming. I want them carefully looked, so you can tell me which is the most valuable.

If you can go at once and look them, I wish you would do so and report directly to me, and we can make something out of it.

The west part of town—say sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 17, 18, 19, 20,—have never been surveyed; but I think if you have a good compass, you can run the land out near enough yourself. Look everything on the plat. Write me when you will be able to go. If you know of any swamp lands that you want reserved for yourself,—two or three months,—send description and I will hold them for you. I have an arrangement with E. Hall.

Very truly,

WM. A. BARNARD.

[EXHIBIT K.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 10, 1870. }

W. C. Bush, Esq.:

DEAR SIR—I enclose plats showing everything in the ranges you left here. There is not much north of 16 but vacant land,—except in 19 N., 6 W. I find about 400 acres reserved to E. L. Gray, that I think you better look. I think I can get it; also some in 19 N., 7 W.,—it is good. Come here yourself with it, and I will tell you how to apply for it.

Yours truly,

W. A. BARNARD.

[EXHIBIT L.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, March 22, 1870. }

W. C. Bush, Esq., Sag. City, M.:

DEAR SIR—I have just received your letter. The two forties in 13 N. 9 W., are marked to Ripley—all right.

I enclose diagrams of 13 N., 6 E., and 14 N., 6 E., showing quite a number of old licenses (40 acres each), under the old law. I did not have time to put in the names, but do not think many of them are settled. If you look them, come here and make the proofs, then you can tell which you can get, and will have no trouble with Ripley. You should give him no list or descriptions, until you have been here and found the lands subject to sale, and all right on our books.

Ripley will get nearly everything in the lists you have already furnished him.

Yours truly,

W. A. BARNARD.

[EXHIBIT M.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, December 12, 1870. }

W. C. Bush, Saginaw City, M.:

D'R SIR—Your dispatch came this morning, and the lands in 15 N. 5 W. will be reserved for you, all right. I enclose plats of the lands in 15 N. 5 W. and 16 N. 4 W., with names of purchasers. Sell the land for what it is worth, if possible.

Yours truly,

W. A. BARNARD.

[EXHIBIT N.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 4, 1870. }

W. C. Bush, Saginaw City.:

DEAR SIR—I have received your letter of the 2d and 4th. Enclosed please find tax statement for the descriptions sent me. You can purchase State bid on N. W $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ 25, 15, 6 W.

I send plats for all towns in ranges 15 and 16 north, that I thought good. There are considerable many late licenses that I did not think worth looking.

I was up to Bay City last Sunday and sold the 10 N. 17 W. lands. If the estimates are correct, the man is to pay for the minutes, or give us an interest in the land.

If you are going to sell the minutes for everything you look, I want to have some understanding with you before I put you on track of any more land. The lands in 11 N. 4 W. should not have been put in Ripley's list.

You have no proofs here for the lands in 11 N. 4 E., and some other descriptions that were in his list, and ought not to have given him that list as it was until it was perfected, and the lands in proper shape to be located.

I would like to see you, if possible, before you go into the woods again.

Yours truly,

W. A. BARNARD.

[EXHIBIT O.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, May 25; 1870. }

W. C. Bush, Saginaw City.:

D'R SIR—I have received your letter enclosing proofs of abandonment.

There is nothing in Muskegon or Newaygo that I know of that is worth looking. I will look after the Board of Auditors get away, and I have more time, for Pine; and if I can find any, I will send it.

Very truly,

WM. A. BARNARD.

[EXHIBIT P.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, April 8, 1870. }

W. C. Bush, Esq., Sag. City, M.:

D'R SIR—When the water gets down so you can go to 10 N. 4 E., I wish you would look at N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ 20,—and see if you can furnish proof so I can get it.

Look it so you can tell me about it when you come here to look South and West.

Yours truly,

WM. A. BARNARD.

[EXHIBIT Q.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, July 1, 1870. }

W. C. Bush, Saginaw City :

D'R SIR—I received your letter to-day and enclose plats with vacant lands and licenses marked in pencil.

If you can get scrip of Lathrop you better hold your plats until he gets his contract accepted so he can reserve lands, and then look the lands for yourself and Lathrop instead of Ripley.

I will help you locate the lands for an interest in the scrip.

I may possibly be in Saginaw City Monday,—if so, will try and see you.

Yours truly,

WM. A. BARNARD

[EXHIBIT R.]

No. 22891.

In the Name of the People of the State of Michigan :

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting :

Whereas, Philip Kershner, of the county of Wayne, Mich., on the thirteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, purchased from the State of Michigan, the lands hereinafter described, pursuant to the laws of said State, then in force, and in such cases made and provided ;

And whereas, The said Philip Kershner has paid for said lands, pursuant to the conditions of said sale, and the laws of the State duly enacted in relation thereto, the sum of one hundred dollars, and all legal interest thereon accrued, as fully appears by the certificate of the proper officer, now on file in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Michigan, being certificate No. 9052 for swamp land ;

Now therefore, I, HENRY P. BALDWIN, Governor of said State, in consideration of the premises, and by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the laws of said State, in such cases made and provided, do issue this patent, in the name and by the authority of the People of the State of Michigan, hereby granting and confirming unto the said Philip Kershner and to his heirs and assigns forever, the following piece or parcel of land, situate in the State aforesaid, to wit: The south half of the northeast quarter of section thirty-five (35), in township thirty-five (35) north, of range one (1) east, containing eighty (80) acres, according to the returns of the Surveyor General: to have and to hold the above described and granted premises unto the said Philip Kershner, and to his heirs and assigns, to his and their sole and only proper use, benefit, and behoof, forever, as provided by the laws of said State, against the lawful claim or claims of all persons whatsoever.

In testimony whereof, I have caused these letters to
[L. S.] be made patent, and the great seal of the State
to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at Lansing, this twenty-second day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the ninety-fifth.

By the Governor: HENRY P. BALDWIN.

SAM'L H. Row,

Dep. Secretary of State.

Recorded Book 37, page 187.

[EXHIBIT 8.]

SETTLER'S LICENSE, UNDER ACT 108, APPROVED MARCH 7, 1861.

To all to whom these presents shall come :

Whereas, Adam Woolover of Malahide, in the county of Middlesex, C. W., has made application to the Commissioner of

the State Land Office of the State of Michigan, under the act entitled "*An act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the settlement and drainage of Swamp Lands by actual settlers,*" approved March 7, 1861, for the privilege of entering and settling upon, occupying, draining, and improving that certain tract or parcel of the Swamp Lands of this State, situated and lying in the township of Koylton, in the county of Tuscola, in this State, described in the public surveys, made under the authority of the United States, as the S. $\frac{1}{4}$ of N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 35, T. 11 R. 11 E., containing 80 acres; and has made oath to said application, as required by law, and agreed for himself, his heirs, executors, and administrators, to observe and be bound by all and singular the provisions of said act, and of any other statute relating to said tract of land not impairing his rights under said act, and faithfully to abide by, keep, and perform, and be subject to all the terms and conditions of this present License, which issues upon said application:

Now know ye, That I, the undersigned, Commissioner of the State Land Office, for and in behalf of the State of Michigan, do hereby license and authorize the said Adam Woolover to enter and settle upon, occupy, drain, and improve the above described tract or parcel of land, containing 80 acres, subject to the terms and conditions following, that is to say:

First. That said applicant shall enter into immediate possession and occupancy of said tract of land, and shall continue to reside upon, occupy, and improve the same for five continuous years.

Second. That said applicant shall, within three months from the date of this instrument, file with the Commissioner of the State Land Office a certificate from the supervisor of the township in which the land is located, together with his own affidavit, that he is in the actual possession and occupancy of such land.

Third. That in case it shall appear that he was, at the date of said application, the owner, in law or equity, of forty acres

of land, in any State or Territory of the United States, and that his said application is in this behalf willfully and knowingly false, this license shall be deemed void from the beginning, and all his right, title, and claim to said tract shall cease and become absolutely null.

Fourth. That said applicant has not heretofore, upon the application of himself or of any person in his behalf, or for his benefit, directly or indirectly, obtained any license under said act, or any other law of this State.

Fifth. That said applicant shall not cut, take, and carry away, upon or from said tract, any pine timber or other valuable timber, except for the sole purpose of clearing said land for actual cultivation; and in that case, so much as may be necessary to improve said land, and no more; and for the violation of this condition, he shall be liable to all the forfeitures, penalties, and liabilities of a trespasser upon the State lands, as is now or as may hereafter be provided for by law.

On the breach of any one of which conditions, this license is to be void and of no effect in favor of said applicant.

And it is further provided, That if said applicant or settler shall not file his certificate and oath of settlement and occupancy, as above provided, or if the evidence of two witnesses under oath is furnished to the Commissioner of the State Land Office, that the clause above mentioned to prevent waste has been violated, then his claim shall be deemed as void, and the Commissioner of the State Land Office shall, from and after said time, sell said land the same as other swamp lands.

The said applicant is not at liberty to assign or transfer the present License; nor can he transfer his possession to another; and no person taking possession under him, either with or without his consent, will acquire any right whatever to said land; but in case of the death of said applicant before the expiration of this License, his heirs-at-law, if in the actual possession and occupancy of the tract, will be entitled to all his right, interest, and estate therein.

And the said applicant also stipulates and agrees with the State, that he will faithfully occupy the said tract of land, and will drain the same conformably to the above mentioned act, and to the provisions of the act of Congress therein referred to, for the purpose of obtaining title to said tract, as provided by law.

And in case the said applicant shall actually occupy and reside upon said tract, for the period of five continuous years, and shall in all things comply with the above recited act of 1861, and keep and perform all and singular the provisions, terms, and conditions contained in this present License, he will at the end of that time be entitled to a certificate of purchase of said tract of land, and a Patent therefor from the State.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand
[L. S.] and affixed my official seal, at Lansing, this
29th day of May, A. D. 1866.

CYRUS HEWITT,

Commissioner of the State Land Office.

4671.

[EXHIBIT T.]

9848.

Sm'l V. Cornell, 27 Oct. '71.

Proof of settlement and occupation, to perfect title to lands licensed under the provisions of Act No. 229, Session Laws of 1859.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Tuscola, } ss.

On this twenty-seventh day of October, 1871, personally appeared before the undersigned, a notary public for said county, Adam Woolover, who, being duly sworn, according to law, deposes and says, in relation to land licensed to him on the 29th day of May, 1866, as per license No. 4671, describing land as follows: S. $\frac{1}{2}$ of N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$, section 35, T. 11 N., R. 11 E: That the same was for his own use, and for the purposes of actual

settlement and cultivation, under the provisions of the act of the Legislature, approved February 15, 1859, "to provide for the settlement and drainage of swamp land by actual settlers." That he is now in the occupancy of said land, and has been residing thereon since the 10th day of June, 1866. That he has made the following improvements, to wit: Cleared eight acres; built a good log-house 18 x 24, in which there is 3 doors, 4 windows; have an orchard growing thereon of about 25 trees.

That he drained the same as follows: All that is necessary to drain the part improved, so as to comply with the provisions of act No. 229.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 27th day of October, A. D. 1871.

ADAM ^{His} WOOLOVER.
Mark.

J. J. WILDER,

Notary Public, Tuscola County, Mich.

NOTE.—The above affidavits of settlement may be taken before a justice of the peace or notary public. The applicant must give a full description of the improvements, and of the manner in which the land is drained.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Tuscola, } ss.

Before the undersigned, a notary public for said county, personally appeared Chauncey D. Woolover, a resident of said county, who, being duly sworn, according to law, deposes and says that he is well acquainted with Adam Woolover, who subscribed to the foregoing deposition, and knows him to be the identical person who obtained a license for the land described therein, and that he is now, and has been residing upon said land since the tenth day of June, 1866, and that his statement in regard to the improvements on said land, and the drainage thereof, is true.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 27th day of October, 1871.

CHAUNCEY D. ^{His} WOOLOVER.
Mark.

J. J. WILDER,

Notary Public, Tuscola County, Mich.

Indorsement and filing on the back as follows:

"Sold to Cornell Oct. 27, 1871.

"License No. 4671.

"Proof of settlement and occupation received Nov. 1, 1871, and rejected.

"By the provisions of section 4 of act No. 229 of 1859, as amended by section 2 of act No. 108 of 1861, the licensee was required 'within three months after the date of said license' to file with the Commissioner of the Land Office, a certificate of the supervisor, and his own affidavit, that he was in the 'actual possession and occupancy of such land,' and also that if said proof was not so filed, the Commissioner should sell such land, the same as other swamp lands. It appears that the terms of the license were not complied with, and under the law his claim was deemed as *void*, and the land has been sold 'the same as other swamp lands.'

"The sale to Cornell is held to be valid, and Woolover will be notified that he may seek redress through the courts if he so elects.

"CHAS. A. EDMONDS,

"Nov. 1, 1871.

"*Commissioner.*

[EXHIBIT C.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, November 1, 1871. }

J. J. Wilder, Esq., Caro, Mich.:

DEAR SIR—Proof of settlement and occupation taken before you to perfect title to the S. $\frac{1}{4}$ of N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 35, 11 N., 11

E., embraced in License No. 4671, issued by this office to Adam Woolover, May 29, 1866, has been received. In reply, I have to say that by the provisions of Sec. 4, Act No. 229 of 1859, as amended by Sec. 2 of Act No. 108 of 1861, the licensee was required "within three months after the date of said License" to file with the Commissioner of the Land Office, a certificate of the Supervisor, and his own affidavit that he was in the "actual possession and occupancy of such land" and also that if said proof was not so filed, the Commissioner should sell such land the same as other swamp lands.

It appears in this case, that the terms of the license were not complied with, and, under the act, the claim was deemed to be void, and the land sold to S. V. Cornell, Oct. 27, 1871, "the same as other swamp lands." The sale therefore to Cornell is held to be valid, and Mr. Woolover has no redress except through the Courts.

Yours truly,

W. A. BARNARD,
Deputy Com'r.

[EXHIBIT V.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, March 12, 1872. }

L. M. Wing, Esq., Orangeville, Mich.:

DEAR SIR—Mr. Bowen desires me to say to you that the N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 25, T. 2 N., 11 W., licensed by Daniel Dawn, can be purchased for \$50; and if you can sell it for any advance upon that, you can have one-half of the margin. Perhaps you can strike a customer for this 40, and make a little something. An early answer as to your views is requested.

Very respectfully,

H. C. CLARK,
Lock Box 157, Lansing, Mich.

[EXHIBIT W.]

No. 4719.

SETTLER'S LICENSE UNDER ACT 108, APPROVED MARCH 7, 1871.

To all to whom these presents shall come :

Whereas, Charles Conley of North Branch, in the county of Lapeer, has made application to the Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan, under the act entitled "*An act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the settlement and drainage of swamp lands by actual settlers,*" approved March 7, 1861, for the privilege of entering and settling upon, occupying, draining, and improving that certain tract or parcel of the swamp lands of this State, situated and lying in the township of Marlett in the county of Sanilac, in this State, described in the public surveys, made under the authority of the United States, as the S. frl. $\frac{1}{2}$ of S. W. frl. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 6, T. 10 N., R. 12 E., containing 83 24-100 acres; and has made oath to said application, as required by law, and agreed for himself, his heirs, executors, and administrators, to observe and be bound by all and singular the provisions of said act, and of any other statute relating to said tract of land not impairing his rights under said act, and faithfully to abide by, keep, and perform, and be subject to all the terms and conditions of this present License, which issues upon said application :

Now Know Ye, That I, the undersigned, Commissioner of the State Land Office, for and in behalf of the State of Michigan, do hereby license and authorize the said Charles Conley to enter and settle upon, occupy, drain, and improve the above described tract or parcel of land, containing 83 24-100 acres, subject to the terms and conditions following, that is to say :

First. That said applicant shall enter into immediate possession and occupancy of said tract of land, and shall continue to reside upon, occupy, and improve the same for five continuous years.

Second. That said applicant shall, within three months from the date of this instrument, file with the Commissioner of the State Land Office, a certificate from the supervisor of the township in which the land is located, together with his own affidavit, that he is in the actual possession and occupancy of such land.

Third. That in case it shall appear that he was, at the date of said application, the owner, in law or equity, of forty acres of land, in any State or Territory of the United States, and that his said application is in this behalf willfully and knowingly false, this license shall be deemed void from the beginning, and all his right, title, and claim to said tract shall cease and become absolutely null.

Fourth. That said applicant has not heretofore, upon the application of himself or of any person in his behalf, or for his benefit, directly or indirectly, obtained any license under said act, or any other law of this State.

Fifth. That said applicant shall not cut, take, and carry away, upon or from said tract, any pine timber or other valuable timber, except for the sole purpose of clearing said land for actual cultivation; and in that case, so much as may be necessary to improve said land, and no more; and for the violation of this condition he shall be liable to all the forfeitures, penalties, and liabilities of a trespasser upon the State lands, as is now, or as may hereafter be provided for by law.

On the breach of any one of which conditions, this license is to be void and of no effect in favor of said applicant.

And it is further provided, That if said applicant or settler shall not file his certificate and oath of settlement and occupancy, as above provided, or if the evidence of two witnesses under oath is furnished to the Commissioner of the State Land Office, that the clause above mentioned to prevent waste has been violated, then his claim shall be deemed as void, and the Commissioner of the State Land Office shall, from and after said time, sell said land the same as other swamp lands.

The said applicant is not at liberty to assign or transfer the present License; nor can he transfer his possession to another; and no person taking possession under him, either with or without his consent, will acquire any right whatever to said land; but in case of the death of said applicant before the expiration of this License, his heirs-at-law, if in the actual possession and occupancy of the tract, will be entitled to all his right, interest, and estate therein.

And the said applicant also stipulates and agrees with the State, that he will faithfully occupy the said tract of land, and will drain the same conformably to the above mentioned act, and to the provisions of the act of Congress therein referred to, for the purpose of obtaining title to said tract, as provided by law.

And in case the said applicant shall actually occupy and reside upon said tract for the period of five continuous years, and shall in all things comply with the above recited act of 1861; and keep and perform all and singular the provisions, terms, and conditions contained in this present license, he will at the end of that time be entitled to a certificate of purchase of said tract of land, and a patent therefor from the State.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand

[L. S.] and affixed my official seal, at Lansing, this thirteenth day of August, A. D. 1866.

CYRUS HEWITT,

Commissioner of the State Land Office.

R. 9985. H. H. Hoyt and C. S. Draper, Dec. 20, 1872.

Indorsement on the back as follows:

"\$4.05.

STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE, }
"Lansing, August 15, 1866. }

"Received four and 05-100 dollars, being the excess over 80 acres in the License No. 4719 herein.

"H. L. PADDACK,

"Clerk to the State Treasurer.

"Countersigned:

"S. D. BINGHAM,

"Deputy Auditor General."

[EXHIBIT X.]

OBED SMITH'S RESERVATIONS.

SUBDIVISION.	Section.	Town.	Range.	AREA.		REMARKS.
				Acres.	100ths.	
se $\frac{1}{4}$ of sw $\frac{1}{4}$	14	29 n	4 e	40		August 18, 1869.
sw of nw.....	35	29 n	4 e	40		" "
ne of sw and sw of nw.....	27	33 n	5 e	80		December 26, 1869.
sw of nw.....	36	29 n	4 e	40		September 2, 1869.
ne of ne.....	14	31 n	8 e	40 D		January 5, 1870.
ne of se.....	11	30 n	6 e	40 X		" 8, 1870.
se of sw.....	5	30 n	6 e	40 X		.....
ne of sw.....	20	30 n	2 e	40 X		.....
se of nw.....	28	30 n	2 e	40 X		.....
nw of sw.....	34	30 n	6 e	40 X		.....
n $\frac{1}{4}$ of sw.....	10	31 n	8 e	80 D		Jan. 17, 1870.
s of nw and ne of nw.....	24	33 n	5 e	120 X		Jan. 31, 1870.
sw of nw.....	24	30 n	2 e	40		Jan. 26, 1870.
s of se.....	30	30 n	7 e	80		March 30, 1870.
ne of nw.....	34	33 n	3 e	40		L. M. Mason.
sw of ne.....	35	31 n	4 e	40		.....
w of sw.....	27	29 n	9 e	80		July 6, 1870.
sw of nw.....	22	33 n	7 e	40 X		July 23, 1870.
ne of sw.....	8	28 n	8 e	40		July 27, 1870.
nw of ne.....	17	"	"	40		.....
se of ne.....	14	"	"	40		.....
se of sw.....	20	"	"	40 X		D. Smith.
ne of se and se of ne.....	27	"	"	80 X		D. Smith.
se of nw and sw of se.....	27	"	"	80		.....
nw of ne.....	29	"	"	40 X		D. S.
n $\frac{1}{4}$ of ne.....	34	"	"	80		D. ne of ne X D.
sw of sw.....	23	"	"	40		.....
se $\frac{1}{4}$ of nw $\frac{1}{4}$	21	31 n	7 e	40		Aug. 9, 1870.
nw of sw.....	6	28 n	8 e	40 X		Sept. 17, 1870.
se of sw.....	11	"	"	40 X		.....
sw of ne.....	17	"	"	40 X		.....
ne of sw.....	8	32 n	7 e	40		Oct. 29, 1870.
nw $\frac{1}{4}$ and n of sw.....	24	36 n	2 w	181 60		Nov. 12, 1870.
nw of se.....	24	"	"	40		.....
ne of nw.....	34	33 n	7 e	40		C. W. Richardson.
sw of se.....	23	34 n	4 e	40		.....
Xe of sw and se X of nw.....	4	30 n	7 e	120		Ripley, Nov. 28, 1870.
nw X of sw.....	3	"	"	40		.....
se of nw.....	1	"	"	40		.....
nw of sw.....	5	37 n	2 w	40 X		Nov. 29, 1870.
ne of se.....	6	"	"	40 X		E. Hall applied.
sw of ne and nw of se.....	8	"	"	80 X		Nov. 24, 1871
s of se.....	6	"	"	80 X		.....
ne of ne.....	7	"	"	40 X		.....

APPENDIX.

SUBDIVISION.	Section.	Town.	Range.	AREA.		REMARKS.
				Acres.	100ths.	
n of ne.....	21	37 n	1 e	80	X	Dec. 16, 1870.
sw of ne.....	18	"	"	40		D'e'd.
s X of se.....	27	32 n	8 e	80		Dec. 26, 1870.
w X of sw.....	4	31 n	8 e	80		Dec. 27, 1870.
w X of ne.....	2	"	"	84 78		D. Jan. 11, 1871.
s of se.....	6	36 n	1 e	80		-----
s of se.....	9	36 n	1 e	80	X	-----
w of sw.....	5	36 n	1 e	80	X	-----
w of se.....	29	37 n	1 w	80	X	-----
Amount forward.....				3,106 88		
ne $\frac{1}{4}$ of nw $\frac{1}{4}$	10	31 n	8 e	40		D R March 27, 1871.
ne fl $\frac{1}{4}$	24	36 n	2 w	68.66	X	May 16, 1871.
e $\frac{1}{4}$ of se $\frac{1}{4}$	9	36 n	1 e	80	X	-----
w of nw.....	13	31 n	5 e	80		June 15, 1871.
s of ne and e of nw.....	14	"	"	160		-----
se of se.....	11	"	"	40		-----
nw $\frac{1}{4}$	12	"	"	160		-----
ne X of nw.....	15	"	"	40		-----
				3,770 04		
Deduct.....				80		L. M. Mason.
				3,690 04		
Deduct.....				80		C. W. Richardson.
				3,610 04		

" Indorsements and filing on the back as follows :

" List of Lands Reserved for Obed Smith. B.

" Obed Smith's Reservation, Duncan, Alpena, and Sauble Road. Page 211."

[EXHIBIT Y.]

No. 22879.

In the name of the People of the State of Michigan :

To all to whom these presents shall come, greeting :

Whereas, Cyrus Hewitt, of the county of Ingham, Mich., on the twenty-eighth day of January, 1871, purchased from the State of Michigan, the lands hereinafter described, pursuant to the laws of said State, then in force and in such cases made and provided ;

And whereas, The said Cyrus Hewitt has paid for said lands pursuant to the conditions of said sale, and the laws of the State duly enacted in relation thereto, the sum of fifty dollars

and all legal interest thereon accrued, as fully appears by the certificate of the proper officer, now on file in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Michigan, being certificate No. 9005, for swamp land.

And whereas, Said certificate and the land described therein, have been duly assigned to James T. Munroe, of Clinton county, Mich. Now, therefore, I, Henry P. Baldwin, Governor of said State, in consideration of the premises, and by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the laws of the said State, in such cases made and provided, do issue this patent, in the name and by the authority of the People of the State of Michigan, hereby granting and confirming unto the said James T. Munroe, and to his heirs and assigns forever, the following piece or parcel of land, situate in the State aforesaid, to wit:

The northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section twenty (20), in township ten (10) north, of range four (4) east, containing forty (40) acres, according to the returns of the Surveyor General. To have and to hold the above described and granted premises, unto the said James T. Munroe, and to his heirs and assigns, to his and their sole and only proper use, benefit, and behoof, forever, as provided by the laws of said State, against the lawful claim or claims of all persons whatsoever.

In testimony whereof, I have caused these Letters
[L. S.] to be made patent, and the great seal of the State
to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at Lansing, this twenty-first day of February, A. D. 1871, and of the Independence of the United States of America the ninety-fifth.

HENRY P. BALDWIN.

By the Governor:

SAM'L H. ROW,

Dep. Sec'y of State.

Recorded Book 37, page 196.

Also, Patent No. 22880, issued to James T. Munroe of Clinton county, for one hundred and fifty dollars, on certificate No. 9075, swamp lands, dated February 20th, 1871, granting the S. $\frac{1}{2}$ of the S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ and the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of the N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 13, in town 12 N., Range 10 West; containing 120 acres. Dated February 21, 1871. Signed by the Governor, countersigned by the Secretary of State, and recorded book 37, page 176.

Also, Patent No. 22881, issued to James T. Munroe of Clinton county,—consideration, one hundred dollars,—on certificate No. 9074, swamp lands, dated February 20th, 1871, granting the N. $\frac{1}{2}$ of the S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 5, T. 8 N., R. 1 W., containing eighty acres. Dated February 21st, 1871. Signed by the Governor, countersigned by the Secretary of State, and recorded book 37, page 177.

[EXHIBIT Z.]

LANSING, July 6, 1871.

Com'r State Land Office:

I hereby apply to purchase the S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$, N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$, and S. $\frac{1}{2}$ of S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$, and S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 16, T. 32 N., R. 2 W.; and deposit herewith my check to pay for same. Please hold until I get full names of parties who wish to purchase.

Truly,

CYRUS HEWITT.

"*Com.* Please apply the enclosed check on the amount, \$160, to pay in full for the S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 16, T. 32 N., R. 2 W. Make patent to me; also the $\frac{1}{2}$ payment and affidavit for balance.

"Make affidavit in accordance with the law in such cases.

"CYRUS HEWITT.

"Lansing, May 1, 1872."

Indorsed in pencil as follows:

"Com. Edmonds says execute papers in accordance with above application.

"ROBINSON,

"Clerk."

LANSING, MICHIGAN.

The Hon. Commissioner of the State Land Office :

I hereby apply to purchase the following description of land: The S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of the S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 32, T. 10 N., R. 1 W. State of Michigan. Said description having once been a license, and proofs of abandonment to it.

Please find also \$95. Please furnish scrip.

Yours respectfully,

O. B. CLARK.

October 2, 1871.

Addressed at the bottom:

"W. A. Barnard—Please use \$100 of our scrip, with which to locate the above described land.

"C. A. EDMONDS."

[EXHIBIT AA.]

SUBDIVISION.	Section.	Town.	Range.	AREA.	
				Acres.	100ths.
w $\frac{1}{4}$ of sw $\frac{1}{4}$	5	36 n	1 e	80	
s $\frac{1}{4}$ of se $\frac{1}{4}$	6	36	"	80	
s $\frac{1}{4}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	9	"	"	80	
e $\frac{1}{4}$ of se $\frac{1}{4}$	9	"	"	80	
s $\frac{1}{4}$ of se $\frac{1}{4}$	18	37 n	1 e	80	
sw $\frac{1}{4}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	18	"	"	40	
n $\frac{1}{4}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	21	"	"	80	
s $\frac{1}{4}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	21	"	"	80	
e $\frac{1}{4}$ of nw $\frac{1}{4}$	21	"	"	80	
sw $\frac{1}{4}$ of nw $\frac{1}{4}$	22	"	"	40	
w $\frac{1}{4}$ of se $\frac{1}{4}$	30	37 n	1 w	80	
ne $\frac{1}{4}$	24	36 n	2 w	63	66 X

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SUBDIVISION.	Section.	Town.	Range.	Area.	
				Acres.	100ths.
n $\frac{1}{4}$ of s w $\frac{1}{4}$	24	36 n	2 w	80	X
n w $\frac{1}{4}$ of s e $\frac{1}{4}$	24	"	"	40	X
lots No 1 and 2.....	24	"	"	97 19	X
n w $\frac{1}{4}$ of n w $\frac{1}{4}$	5	37 n	2 w	40	
n e $\frac{1}{4}$ of s e $\frac{1}{4}$	6	"	"	40	
s $\frac{1}{4}$ of s e $\frac{1}{4}$	6	"	"	80	
n e $\frac{1}{4}$ of n e $\frac{1}{4}$	7	"	"	40	
s w $\frac{1}{4}$ of n e $\frac{1}{4}$	8	"	"	40	
n w $\frac{1}{4}$ of s e $\frac{1}{4}$	8	"	"	40	

Commissioner of State Land Office:

Please reserve the above list of Lands for me on Contract No. 23, Ionia, Houghton Lake and Mackinac State Road.

E. HALL.

By L. B. POTTER.

LANSING, November 24, 1871.

Indorsed on the back:

"E. Hall, application. Received at Lansing November 24, 1871. Michigan State Land Office."

[EXHIBIT BB.]

MIDLAND CITY, July 13, 1871.

To the Hon. Commissioner of State Land Office:

DEAR SIR—Please allow Mr. Cyrus Hewitt to reserve on my road contract, it being the Midland City, Houghton Lake and Traverse City State road,

And oblige your humble servant,

THEODORE BATHAY.

Indorsed on the back, as follows:

"Theodore Bathay's order to Cyrus Hewitt to reserve any lands.

"Received at the State Land Office, Lansing, M., July 14, 1871."

[EXHIBIT CC.]

BANKING HOUSE OF DAVID PRESTON & CO.,
Detroit, December 5, 1871.

Hon. C. A. Edmonds, Commissioner State Land Office, Lansing, Mich.:

DEAR SIR—Your letter of the 2d inst. is received, in which you say:

"I have this day received an order from Obed Smith, Esq., in favor of Wm. B. McCreery, for 1,200 acres upon contract No. 4, of the Midland, Houghton Lake, and Traverse City State road. Mr. Smith states that Mr. Preston says he has no claim on the contract, as he has settled with Mr. Bathay. Will you please inform this office, at your earliest convenience, as to the facts in the case?"

Answer. Mr. Bathay does not owe us anything on any contract. He once assigned his contract, or a portion of it, to us; but we have received in lands, and in credits at your office, all that he owes us.

Yours truly,

DAVID PRESTON & CO.

Indorsed on the back as follows:

"David Preston & Co., Dec. 5, 1871.

"Received at State Land Office, Lansing, Mich., Dec. 6, 1871."

[EXHIBIT DD.]

BANKING HOUSE OF DAVID PRESTON & Co., }
Detroit, June 25, 1868. }

The Hon. E. H. Porter, Deputy Commissioner State Land Office, Lansing, Michigan:

I have to-day sold and assigned to David Preston of Detroit, eight thousand acres, say \$10,000 of general scrip, on my contract on Midland, Houghton Lake, and Grand Traverse State road, of 28 miles, executed May 23, 1868. The first amount completed thereon. You will therefore please allow them to reserve 8,000 acres of general scrip on said contract,

And oblige,

THEODORE BATHAY.

Indorsed on the back as follows:

"Theodore Bathay's order to D. Preston, for 8,000 acres of land, June 25, 1868."

[EXHIBIT EE.]

LANSING, October 12, 1871.

Commissioner State Land Office:

Please allow John Charlton to receive a certificate for section 16, town 29 N., range 7 W., and town 29 N., range 4 W., which land is now held by me.

Truly,

CYRUS HEWITT.

LANSING, September 23d, 1871.

S. $\frac{1}{2}$ S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 32, 10 N., 1 W.; S. $\frac{1}{2}$ S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 32, 10 N., 1 W.; W. $\frac{1}{2}$ of S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 20, 13 N., 4 W.; W. $\frac{1}{2}$ of S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 26, 13 N., 4 W.

Commissioner of State Land Office:

Please reserve the above land, on account of my unmaturred swamp land road contracts, and oblige,

CYRUS HEWITT.

Proofs of non-settlement and abandonment filed.

LANSING, Aug. 18, 1871.

Please reserve the N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 26, town 10 N., R. 2 East, and, oblige.

CYRUS HEWITT.

LANSING, Aug. 2d, 1871.

Com. State Land Office:

Please reserve on my Theo. Bathay order, S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 2, T. 19 N., R. 5 W.; S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 2, T. 19 N., R. 5 W.; N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 11, T. 19 N., R. 5.

CYRUS HEWITT.

SUBDIVISION	SECTION.	ACRES.	
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of n w.....	1	80	T. 28 N., R. 5 W.
S e $\frac{1}{4}$ of n w $\frac{1}{4}$	1	40	" " "
N $\frac{1}{2}$ of s e $\frac{1}{4}$	1	80	" " "
S w $\frac{1}{4}$ of s e $\frac{1}{4}$	7	40	" " "
S w $\frac{1}{4}$ of s w $\frac{1}{4}$	8	40	" " "
S $\frac{1}{2}$ of n w $\frac{1}{4}$	8	80	" " "
N w $\frac{1}{4}$ of n e $\frac{1}{4}$	11	40	" " "
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of n w $\frac{1}{4}$	14	80	" " "
E $\frac{1}{2}$ of n e $\frac{1}{4}$	15	80	" " "
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of n e $\frac{1}{4}$	29	80	" " "
S e $\frac{1}{4}$ of n w $\frac{1}{4}$	29	40	" " "

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SUBDIVISION.	SECTION.	ACRES.	
W ½ of sec ¼.....	31	80	T. 28 N., R. 5 W.
Se ¼ of sw ¼.....	31	40	" " "
Se ¼ of sw ¼.....	33	40	" " "
		840	

LANSING, August 16, 1871.

Com'r State Land Office :

Please reserve the above list, on my Theo. Bathay matured order, and oblige

Yours,

CYRUS HEWITT.

Indorsed on the back as follows:

"Cyrus Hewitt, Aug. 16, '71.

"840 a. reserved, marked Aug. 16, '71.

"Recorded, page 36."

SUBDIVISION.	Section.	Town.	Range.	Acres.	100ths.	REMARKS.
E ½ of ne ¼ of and e ½ of se ¼	27	30 N	9 W	160		Res'd 7-15-71.
E ½ of and se ¼	34	30	9	240		" "
Sw of ne ¼ and e ½ of nw ¼	30	31	6 W	120		" "
Sw ¼ of se ¼	20	31	6	40		" "
Sw ¼ of sw ¼	31	31	6	40		" "
Nw ¼ of ne ¼	29	31	6	40		" "
Se ¼ of se ¼	35	31	9	40		" "
S ½ of sw ¼	36	31	9	80		" "
Se ¼ of ne ¼, nw of ne ¼	26	32	9	80		" "
Lots 1 and 4	26	33	9	71 50		" "
Lot 4	17	35	4	39 89		Pat.
Lot 1	20	35	4	35		Pat.
Lot 2	21	35	4	18 17		Pat.

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LANSING, July 15, 1871.

Commissioner Land Office :

I hereby apply to have the above lands reserved from sale, in accordance with the law and your rules, upon the accompanying order from Theo. Bathay, herewith attached.

CYRUS HEWITT.

Indorsed on the back, as follows:

"Cyrus Hewitt, July 15, '71. Recorded page 35-6. Received State Land Office, Lansing, Mich., July 15, 1871."

SUBDIVISION.	Section.	Town.	Range.	Acres.	100ths.	REMARKS.
				47		in No. 2.
Lots 2 and 3.....	1	38 N.	9 W.	10	80	in No. 3.
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4.....	14	"	"			
S. e. and e. $\frac{1}{2}$ of n. e. $\frac{1}{4}$	14	"	"	240		

Commissioner State Land Office :

"Please reserve the above lands on account of my order from Theo. Bathy.

"CYRUS HEWITT.

"*Lansing, July 18, 1871.*"

Indorsed on the back as follows:

"Cyrus Hewitt application. Recorded page 36; 457.64a. reserved. Received at State Land Office, Lansing, Michigan, July 22, 1861."

SUBDIVISION.	Section.	Town.	Range.	Acres.
S w $\frac{1}{4}$ of s e $\frac{1}{4}$	19	33 N	8 E	40
S w $\frac{1}{4}$ of n w $\frac{1}{4}$	20	"	"	40
N w $\frac{1}{4}$ of s e $\frac{1}{4}$	20	"	"	40
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of s w $\frac{1}{4}$	26	"	"	80
N $\frac{1}{2}$ of s e) lots 1, 2.....	26	"	"	61.30
" 3.....		"	"	24.25
E $\frac{1}{2}$ of s e $\frac{1}{4}$) " 4.....	26	"	"	59.59
Lot 1.....	35	"	"	29.90
N e $\frac{1}{4}$ of s e $\frac{1}{4}$	35	"	"	40
S w $\frac{1}{4}$ of n w $\frac{1}{4}$ lot 2.....	36	"	"	36.30
N w $\frac{1}{4}$ of s w $\frac{1}{4}$	36	"	"	40
				432.25
N e $\frac{1}{4}$	18	30	7 E	160
				642.25

Commissioner State Land Office :

"Please reserve the above list of lands on my order from Theo. Bathay.

CYRUS HEWITT.

Indorsed on the back as follows:

"Cyrus Hewitt. Aug. 11, '71, 642.25a. reserved.

"All reserved, 8-11-71.

"Recorded page 36."

SUBDIVISION.	Section.	Town.	Range.	Acres.	100ths.
Lot	8	25 N.	8 W.	18	55
N $\frac{1}{4}$ of se and ne of sw $\frac{1}{4}$	31	"	"	120	
Sw of sw $\frac{1}{4}$	31	"	"	40	06
Nw $\frac{1}{4}$ and s $\frac{1}{4}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	32	"	"	240	
Sw of nw $\frac{1}{4}$	33	"	"	40	
E $\frac{1}{4}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$, sw of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	21	"	"	120	
Se of sw $\frac{1}{4}$ and nw of se $\frac{1}{4}$	11	"	"	80	
Ne of nw $\frac{1}{4}$, sw of nw $\frac{1}{4}$	23	"	"	120	
W $\frac{1}{4}$ of nw $\frac{1}{4}$	28	"	"	80	
E $\frac{1}{4}$ of se $\frac{1}{4}$	29	"	"	80	
Nw of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	26	30 N.	7 W.	40	
Sw of nw $\frac{1}{4}$	2	30 N.	9 W.	40	
W $\frac{1}{4}$ of se $\frac{1}{4}$	15	"	"	45	83
W $\frac{1}{4}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	23	37 N.	12 W.	80	
N $\frac{1}{4}$ of nw $\frac{1}{4}$	29	"	"	80	

LANSING, July 25, 1871.

Commissioner State Land Office:

Please reserve the above descriptions on account of my Theo. Bathay order on his contract, and oblige,

Yours truly,

CYRUS HEWITT.

Indorsed on the back as follows:

"Cyrus Hewitt, July 25, 1871, reserved 160 acres. Recorded page 36.

"Received at State Land Office, Lansing, Michigan, July 25, 1871."

[EXHIBIT FF.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, October 23, 1871. }

MR. WOOLSTON—*Dear Sir*,—I find that I was right. I have the patent for that 40 that we went to look at,—the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. W.,—and it is for sale. I want you to see that man that you spoke to me about, and see if he wants it. I can give him a patent for a deed right from the State, or a certificate, just as he prefers, as I have it in my own possession and have it paid for. I wish you to see him and get his propositions, and write

me what he will give for a deed of it right from the State.
That 40 of tamarack, etc.

Yours truly,

S. V. CORNELL.

P. S.—When you write direct to me in care of Van Dunham.

Direct your letters to S. V. Cornell, in care of Van Dunham, Lansing, Michigan.

S. V. C.

SUBDIVISION.	Section.	Town.	Range.
S $\frac{1}{2}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	35	4 N	11 E

To Commissioner State Land Office :

I hereby apply to purchase the above description of land.
Inclosed please find purchase money.

Lansing, October 27, 1871.

SAMUEL V. CORNELL.

Com'r State Land Office, Lansing :

I hereby apply to purchase the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 36,
T. 7 N., range 4 E. Inclosed find \$50 to pay for same. Use
scrip and return balance.

SAMUEL V. CORNELL.

Oct. 19th, 1871.

[EXHIBIT GG.]

SUBDIVISION.	Section.	Town.	Range.	Acres.	REMARKS.
Ne $\frac{1}{4}$ of nw $\frac{1}{4}$	12	1 n	16 w	40	Pat. Proof Filed, X 2,091
N $\frac{1}{2}$ of sw $\frac{1}{4}$	5	8 n	1 w	80	" "
Ne $\frac{1}{4}$ of nw $\frac{1}{4}$	23	11 n	10 w	40	" " X 4,540
S $\frac{1}{2}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	18	12 n	10 w	80	" "
Nw $\frac{1}{4}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	18	12 n	10 w	40	" "
Sw $\frac{1}{4}$ of sw $\frac{1}{4}$	17	2 e	16 w	40	" "
Se $\frac{1}{4}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	11	10 n	4 e	40	" "
Nw $\frac{1}{4}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	11	10 n	4 e	40	" "
Ne $\frac{1}{4}$ of sw $\frac{1}{4}$	20	10 n	4 e	40	" " 221 H.
Ne $\frac{1}{4}$ of nw $\frac{1}{4}$	23	10 n	4 e	40	" "
Ne $\frac{1}{4}$ of se $\frac{1}{4}$	15	11 n	4 w	40	" "

SUBDIVISION.	Section.	Town.	Range.	Acres.	REMARKS.
N w $\frac{1}{4}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$, and ne $\frac{1}{4}$ of n w $\frac{1}{4}$	10	18 n	4 w	80	-----
W $\frac{1}{4}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	28	15 n	4 w	80	-----
N w $\frac{1}{4}$ of s w $\frac{1}{4}$	15	15 n	5 w	40	-----

Com'r State Land Office, Lansing, Mich.:

Please reserve the above list of lands on my contract, No. 29,—Ionia, Houghton Lake and Mackinac State road.

E. HALL.

Per L. B. POTTER.

Lansing, Dec. 14, 1870.

Indorsed on the back as follows:

"Geo. L. Hitchcock, Dec. 14, 1870. Rec'd Dec. 19, 1870.

"Recorded, page 276."

[EXHIBIT HH.]

STATE OF MICHIGAN, {
County of ———, } ss.

—— and —— of the township of —— in said county, being duly sworn, depose and say, that they are well acquainted with the following described land, to wit: —— in the county of ——, and State of Michigan, and know that the same is valuable mainly for agricultural purposes. And deponents further say that the timber standing and growing on said land is not pine, cedar, or hemlock, making said land valuable for lumber purposes, but that the timber growing thereon is principally ——.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this —— day of ——
A. D. 18——.

NOTE.—This affidavit to be made by the supervisor of the township, or by two responsible persons, residents of the town in which the land is situated.

APPENDIX.

[EXHIBIT II.]

OATH OF OFFICE.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Ingham, } ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of this State, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan, according to the best of my ability.

CHAS. A. EDMONDS.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this third day of January, 1871.

DANIEL STRIKER,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
Office of the Secretary of State, } ss.

I, Daniel Striker, Secretary of State of the State of Michigan, do hereby certify that I have compared the annexed copy of oath of office, with the original, filed in this office January 3, 1871, and that it is a true and correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of such original.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand
 [L. S.] and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Michigan, at Lansing, this second day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

G. M. HASTY,
Dep. Secretary of State.

OATH OF OFFICE.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Ingham, } ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of this State, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Deputy

Commissioner of the State Land Office according to the best of my ability.

WM. A. BARNARD.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this first day of June, 1871.

HENRY N. LAWRENCE,

Notary Public in and for Branch County.

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
Office of the Secretary of State, } ss.

I, Daniel Striker, Secretary of State of the State of Michigan, do hereby certify, that I have compared the annexed copy of the oath of office of Wm. A. Barnard, as Deputy Commissioner of the State Land Office, with the original filed in this office June 1st, 1871, and that it is a true and correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of such original.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand
[L. S.] and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Michigan, at Lansing, this 11th day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

G. M. HASTY,

Deputy Secretary of State.

[EXHIBIT JJ.]

No. 9985.

W. A. BARNARD & CO.—CERTIFICATE OF PURCHASE—SWAMP
LAND.

In the name of the People of the State of Michigan, I, Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, agreeably to the provisions of law, hereby certify, that at a private sale, on the 20th day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, Herbert H. Hoyt and C. Stuart Draper, of Saginaw county, State of Michigan, for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred fifty-four and 05-100

dollars, purchased the land described as follows, that is to say: the S. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 6, and N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of section No. 7, in township No. 10 N. of range No. 12 E., containing 123.24 acres, according to the returns of the Surveyor General, at one and 25-100 dollars per acre.

And I do further certify, that the consideration received therefor is the sum of one hundred fifty-four and 05-100 dollars, to be paid at the office of the State Treasurer: *Provided*, And this certificate is issued upon the express condition, that said purchaser shall have no claim against the State for drainage, reclamation, or other improvement of said land, but

said sale is made subject to drainage and reclamation by the purchaser, in accordance with the Act of Congress granting said land to the State: And I further certify, that upon the presentation of this [L. S.] certificate, duly signed by the State Treasurer, and countersigned by the Auditor General, as required by law, to the Secretary of State, and surrender of the same, the purchaser therein named, or his assigns, will be entitled to receive a patent for said land, to be executed by the Governor.

Given under my hand, and the seal of the State Land Office, this 20th day of December, 1871.

WM. A. BARNARD,
Dep. Commissioner.

[The following appears on the back of the certificate:]

\$ ——— STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, Dec. 21, 1871. }

Received the within mentioned payment of ——— Dollars.

[Countersigned:] ——— State Treasurer.

————— Auditor General.

Examined and entered.

V. P. COLLIER, *State Treasurer,*

F. M. H.

[EXHIBIT KK.]

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Ingham, } ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of this State, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of book-keeper in the State Land Office, according to the best of my ability.

HEDGES L. PADDACK.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this third day of January, 1871.

CHAS. A. EDMONDS,

Notary Public for Branch County, Mich.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
Office of the Secretary of State, } ss.

I, Daniel Striker, Secretary of State of the State of Michigan, do hereby certify that I have compared the annexed copy of oath of office of Hedges L. Paddack, as book-keeper in the State Land Office, with the original, filed in this office January 3d, 1871, and that it is a true and correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of such original.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Michigan, at Lansing, this 12th day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

G. M. HASTY,

Deputy Secretary of State.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, SECRETARY'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, May 12, 1872. }

I, Daniel Striker, Secretary of State of the State of Michigan, do hereby certify that after diligent and careful search among the files of this office, I find oaths of office of the following named officers and clerks of the State Land Office on file, viz: Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner; Wm. A. Barnard, Deputy Com'r; Hedges L. Paddack, book-keeper;

and further, that I cannot find the oaths of office of any other clerk of said State Land Office on file in this office.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand,
[L. S.] and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Michigan, at Lansing, the day and date first above written.

G. M. HASTY,
Dep. Sec. of State.

[EXHIBIT LL.]

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, January 16, 1872. }

Mr. James Cummin, Corunna:

DEAR SIR—I saw Cornell, the purchaser of the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 36, T. 7 N., R. 4 E. (licensed by Bouck), and he will relinquish his claim and surrender his papers on the payment of one hundred and sixty-five dollars,—says he has had better offers by a party owning adjoining land.

By his surrendering his papers, I could cancel the sale and give Bouck the benefit of the purchase money, \$50, which would leave \$115 to pay.

I tried to persuade Cornell to do a little better, but that was the best proposition he would make.

His address is S. V. Cornell, Coldwater, Mich.

Very truly yours,

CHAS. A. EDMONDS,
Commissioner.

[EXHIBIT MM.]

STATE OF MICHIGAN, AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, May 13, 1872. }

I hereby certify that the accompanying abstracts, marked respectively "A" and "B," set forth correctly the amount of taxes assessed against the several descriptions of land therein contained, and for the years designated; and also the amount of such taxes rejected and charged back for each of such years.

WM. HUMPHREY,
Auditor General of the State of Michigan.

ABSTRACT A.

STATEMENT of taxes of 1899 assessed against the several descriptions of Lands as stated below, and returned to the Office of the Auditor General; also the amount of such taxes rejected as assessed upon State Secemp Lands.

SUBDIVISION OF COUNTIES.										REMARKS.
State Tax.	County Tax.	Town Tax.	Road Tax.	School Tax.	Ditch Tax.	Agricultural Tax.	Total Amount.	Charged County.	Rejected State Swamp Land.	
23	86	1 07	80	1 20	26	-----	\$4 41	6 58	-----	
27	1 08	1 83	1 00	1 50	83	-----	5 51	2 10	-----	
32	1 80	1 60	1 20	1 90	39	-----	6 61	2 10	-----	
2 03	8 10	10 00	7 50	1 50	2 44	-----	31 57	2 11	-----	
14	54	67	7 50	1 10	16	-----	2 11	6 05	-----	
32	1 80	1 60	1 20	24	39	-----	2 58	2 11	-----	
16	65	80	60	13	20	-----	2 58	2 11	-----	
22	86	1 07	80	16	26	-----	3 27	2 11	-----	
22	86	1 07	80	1 20	26	-----	4 41	2 11	-----	
22	86	1 07	80	1 20	26	-----	4 41	2 11	-----	
16	65	80	60	90	20	-----	8 81	2 11	-----	
86	8 46	4 27	8 26	64	1 04	-----	18 47	2 11	-----	
68	2 70	3 38	2 50	50	81	-----	10 52	2 11	-----	
29	2 61	2 40	-----	61	-----	-----	6 58	2 11	-----	
16	65	80	60	12	20	-----	2 03	2 11	-----	
13	54	67	50	10	16	-----	2 10	2 11	-----	
32	1 80	1 60	1 20	24	47 98	-----	52 64	2 11	-----	
16	65	80	60	1 93	29 00	-----	82 13	2 11	-----	
27	1 08	1 33	1 00	3 20	27 79	-----	94 67	2 11	-----	
27	1 08	1 33	1 00	3 20	27 79	-----	84 67	2 11	-----	
65	2 59	3 20	2 40	48	111 63	-----	120 95	2 11	-----	
14	54	67	2 50	10	16	-----	2 11	2 11	-----	
\$8 12	\$34 26	\$41 48	\$79 30	\$22 08	\$250 71	\$ 01	\$935 91			
Amount of tax discharged.										

[EXHIBIT NN.]

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE STATE LAND OFFICE—FOR
THE INFORMATION OF EMPLOYEES ONLY.

Office hours from 8 A. M. to 12 M., and from 1½ P. M. to 5 P. M.

Clerks will be at their posts *promptly*, and devote their time, during office hours, *exclusively to Office Business*.

Any information sought will be cheerfully given, and all business matters carefully attended to, by the Commissioner or Deputy; but no employe in the office will be allowed to act as agent for other parties, or transact any business in the office, except in the regular discharge of his duties.

Habitual and loud conversation must not be indulged in.

Smoking in the office is prohibited.

Leave of absence, not to exceed four weeks in any one year, will be granted to clerks, at such times as will least interfere with the business of the office.

CHAS. A. EDMONDS, *Commissioner*.

[EXHIBIT OO.]

OBED SMITH—DUNCAN, ALPENA AND SAUBLE ROAD.

1871.	Cr.		
Nov. 28.	By balance unmatured on Contract No. 4.....	\$1,250 00	
" "	" " on Warrant No. 840.....	402 16	
" "	" " " " 841.....	125 00	
" "	" " " " 842.....	787 50	
	Dr.		
Nov. 28.	To balance due Wm. Jenney on order.....	\$250 00	
" "	" lands received, 3,610.04.....	4,512 55	
	By balance.....	\$2,197 89	
		\$4,762 55	\$4,762 55
	Dr.		
Nov. 28.	To balance.....	\$2,197 89	
Dec. 6.	" sold to J. W. Hill.....	79 79	
	Cr.		
Dec. 28.	By error found.....	\$400 00	
" "	" balance.....	1,877 63	
		\$2,277 63	\$2,277 63

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OBED SMITH, ASSIGNEE OF T. BATHAY.—CONTRACT No. 4.

Midland, Houghton Lake and Traverse City Road.

1871.

Amount of contract.....	\$42,062 50
Nov. 17. " paid on contract.....	21,169 50
	<u>\$20,893 00</u>

CR.

Nov. 17. By balance unmatured.....	\$20,893 00
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DR.

Nov. 17. To lands reserved, 720 acres.....	\$900 00
" " " by T. Bathay, 7,173.60 acres.....	8,967 11
" " " by C. Hewitt, 3,946.18 acres.....	4,982 66
" balance due D. Preston & Co., on order.....	1,783 00
" order to A. Pack & Co.,.....	750 00
" " E. S. Porter.....	1,250 00
" " T. Bathay.....	1,000 00
" " T. Luce & Co.,.....	1,250 00
" balance.....	55 23
	<u>\$20,895 00</u>
	<u>\$20,895 00</u>

CR.

By balance.....	\$55 23
Dec. 5. " D. Preston & Co.,.....	1,783 00
" T. Bathay order.....	1,000 00

DR.

Dec. 2. To order to Wm. B. McCreary, 1,300 acres.....	\$1,500 00
" 8. " " A. Pack & Co.,.....	1,000 00
	343 23
	<u>\$2,843 23</u>
	<u>\$2,843 23</u>

OBED SMITH, ASSIGNEE OF T. BATHAY.—CONTRACT No. 4.

Midland, Houghton Lake, and Traverse City Road.

1871.

DR.

Dec. 28. To lands reserved, 720 acres.....	\$900 00
" T. Bathay, 6,909.86 acres.....	8,687 83
" C. Hewitt, 3,832.24 acres.....	4,790 80
" order to E. S. Porter.....	1,250 00
" " T. Luce & Co.,.....	1,250 00
" " Wm. B. McCreary.....	1,500 00
" " A. Pack & Co.,.....	1,000 00
	<u>\$19,837 63</u>

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1871.	CR.	
Dec. 28. By balance unmatured.....		\$18,926 82
" " due on matured.....		1,116 18
" " 		184 83
		<u>\$19,827 83</u>
	DR.	
Dec. 28. To balance.....		\$184 83
	CR.	
Dec. 28. By T. Bathay.....		<u>\$605 77</u>

OBED SMITH'S ACC'T, ASSIGNEE OF T. BATHAY.—CONTRACT NO. 4.

Midland, Houghton Lake and Traverse Bay Road.

1872.	DR.	
April 17. To lands reserved by T. Bathay, 6,796.88 acres, 102s.....		\$8,461 28
" " C. Hewitt, 2,596.97 acres, 10s.....		3,246 21
" " by self, 888.90 acres, 10s.....		1,048 83
To order, A. P. & Co.....		1,000 00
" W. B. McCreary.....		1,500 00
" E. S. Porter.....		400 00
" T. Luce & Co.....		812 50
To balance.....		1,924 43
		<u>\$17,893 00</u>
1873.	CR.	
Sept. 17. By amount unmatured.....		\$15,276 82
" 17. " due on matured.....		2,616 18
		<u>\$17,893 00</u>
Cr. by balance.....		<u>1,924 43</u>

OBED SMITH'S ACCOUNT—CONTRACT NO. 1.

Duncan, Alpena, and Sauble Road.

1869.	DR.	1869.	CR.
Oct. 11—Paid Hewitt & Co.....	\$3,850 00	Oct. 9—By warrant.....	\$3,850 00
Oct. 27—To Hewitt & Co.....	\$911 21	Dec. 10—By warrant.(508).....	\$1,750 00
Dec. 10—To W. A. Butler & Co....	888 79		
	<u>\$1,750 00</u>		<u>\$1,750 00</u>
1870.		1870.	
To Cyrus Hewitt (order).....	\$10 00	Aug. 11—By warrant (608).....	\$2,250 00
Sept. 29—To Geo. N. Fletcher.....	423 47		
Oct. 31—To A. W. Comstock.....	50 00		
Nov. 1—To Cyrus Hewitt.....	400 00		
Nov. 1—To J. Ryan.....	877 58		
	<u>\$2,250 00</u>		<u>\$2,250 00</u>

Oct. 6—To D. Preston & Co.....	\$1,000 00	Sept. 10—By warrant (621).....	\$1,500 00
Oct. 21—To T. Luce & Co.....	484 90		
Nov. 2—To J. Ryan.....	4 17		
Nov. 14—To S. L. Carpenter.....	10 98		

\$1,500 00

\$1,500 00

1871.	Dr.		Cr.
Mar. 4—To Wm. Jenney.....	\$250 00	Dec. 9—By warrant (700).....	\$987 50
Mar. 1—To Pack & Porter.....	150 00		
May 18—To D. S. Wheelock.....	85 18		
June 1—To D. Preston & Co.....	452 84		

\$987 50

\$987 50

June 1—To D. Preston & Co.....	\$375 00	Dec. 9—By warrant (701).....	\$375 00
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June 1—To D. Preston & Co.....	\$321 66	Dec. 9—By warrant (702).....	\$562 50
June 15—To H. R. Morse.....	200 00		
June 24—To J. A. Case.....	40 84		

\$562 50

\$562 50

1869.		1871.	
May 2—To L. M. Mason.....	\$150 00	Oct. 2—By warrant (841).....	\$125 00
Dec. 28—To Thos. Wood.....	50 00	Oct. 2—By warrant (842).....	987 50
Dec. 28—To Obed Smith.....	350 00		

\$550 00

\$11,787 50

Due \$512 50.

CONTRACT NO. 2.

1870.		1870.	
July 28—To Geo. N. Fletcher....	\$791 71	July 18—By warrant (587).....	\$1,800 00
Aug. 8—To J. N. Spratt.....	50 00		
Sept. 8—To S. L. Carpenter.....	188 69		
Sept. 27—To A. R. Richard.....	431 80		
Nov. 2—To A. W. Comstock.....	150 00		
Nov. 2—To John Ryan.....	8 80		

\$1,600 00

\$1,600 00

Sept. 29—To Geo. N. Fletcher....	\$400 00	Aug. 11—By warrant (602).....	\$400 00
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\$2,000 00

\$2,000 00

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OBED SMITH, ASSIGNEE OF T. BATHAY.—CONTRACT No. 4.

Midland, Houghton Lake and Traverse City Road.

DR.

1871.		
Dec. 23.	To lands reserved, 720 acres	\$900 00
"	" " 6,909.86 acres, by T. Bathay	8,687 88
"	" " by C. Hewitt, 3,882.24 acres	4,790 80
	To order to E. S. Porter	1,250 00
"	" T. Luce & Co.	1,250 00
"	" Wm. B. McCreary	1,500 00
"	" A. Pack & Co.	1,000 00
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		\$19,827 68
	To balance	184 68
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CR.

1871.		
Dec. 23.	By balance unmatured	\$18,026 82
"	" balance matured	1,116 18
"	" balance	184 68
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		\$19,827 68
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B. T. BATHAY.

Due O. Smith, on Warrants :

No. 840	\$72 87
" 841	125 00
" 842	887 57
" 888	151 84
" 889	964 84
" 902	840 00
" 908	1,750 00
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	\$4,291 19
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Duncan, Alpena and Sauble Road.

CONTRACT No. 1.—Smith & Cicero, dated July 23, 1869; approved July 29, 1869. Expired Dec. 1, 1869; extended to Sept. 1, 1870,—all paid.

CONTRACT No. 2.—P. Cicero, dated July 17, 1869; approved July 29, 1869. Expired Dec. 1, 1869,—all paid.

CONTRACT No 3.—Obed Smith, dated April 1, 1870; approved July 6, 1870. Expired Sept. 1, 1870,—all paid.

CONTRACT No. 4.—Obed Smith, dated June 29, 1870; approved July 7, 1870. Expired Oct. 1, 1871,—all paid.

CONTRACT No. 5.—Obed Smith, dated June 29, 1870; approved July 7, 1870. Expired Dec. 1, 1870,—all paid.

Midland, Houghton Lake and Grand Traverse Road.

CONTRACT No. 4.—T. Bathay, Obed Smith assignee; approved June 4, 1863. Expired Dec. 1, 1869. Extended to Nov. 1, 1870. Assigned to O. Smith, Sept. 18, 1871, and extended to Nov. 1, 1872.

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OBED SMITH'S ACCOUNT.—CONTRACT NO. 5.

Duncan, A. and S. Road.

1870.

Dr.

Sept. 7. Cyrus Hewitt.....	\$1,000 00
Oct. 6. D. Preston.....	1,000 00

\$2,000 00

C. W. Richardson.....	550 00
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1871.

Feb. 11. H. R. Morse.....	168 75
May 18. D. S. Wheelock.....	81 25
Sept. 27. L. B. Potter.....	1,000 00
Oct. 24. A. Dunheart.....	100 00
Oct. 26. D. McArthur.....	100 00

\$2,000 00

Feb. 16. E. H. Porter.....	500 00
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Feb. 16. E. H. Porter.....	500 00
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\$5,000 00

1870.

Cr.

Sept. 10. By warrant (620).....	\$2,000 00
Nov. 2. " " (675).....	2,000 00
Dec. 9. " " (708).....	500 00
" 9. " " (704).....	500 00

\$5,000 00

CONTRACT NO. 4.

Midland, Hoaghton Lake and M. Road.

1871.

Dr.

Oct. 26. L. B. Potter.....	\$2,000 00
Oct. 10. A. Pack & Co.....	750 00
Nov. 29. W. A. Barnard & Co.....	1,000 00

1869.

Nov. 26. Henry R. Morse.....	288 79
Dec. 10. W. A. Butler & Co.....	961 21

\$1,350 00

1871.

Cr.

Oct. 26. By warrant (860).....	\$2,000 00
Dec. 7. " " (888).....	901 84
" 7. " " (889).....	1,984 84
" 29. " " (908).....	1,750 00

1869.

Nov. 26. " " (457).....	1,350 00
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OBER SMITH'S CONTRACT, No. 1.

Duncan, Alpena and Au Sable Road.

DR.

1869.			
Oct. 9.	To paid warrant 407.....		\$3,850 00
Dec. 10.	" " 508.....		1,750 00
1870.			
Aug. 11.	" " 608.....		2,250 00
Sept. 10.	" " 621.....		1,500 00
Dec. 9.	" " 700.....		937 50
" 9.	" " 701.....		375 00
" 9.	" " 702.....		502 50
1871.			
Oct. 2.	" " 841.....		125 00
" 2.	" " 842.....		937 50
1869.			
Dec. 18.	To order to Wm. Jenny.....		500 00
May 28.	" L. M. Mason.....		150 00
	To balance.....		602 50
			<u>\$18,100 00</u>

CR.

1869.			
July 29.	By amount of contract.....		\$11,250 00
1871.			
Oct. 2.	Extra allowance.....		537 50
Nov. 28.	Due on warrant 841.....		125 00
" 28.	" " 842.....		787 50
Mar. 4.	Paid W. Jenny, warrant 700.....		250 00
	" L. M. Mason, warrant 842.....		150 00
			<u>\$18,100 00</u>
	By balance.....		<u>\$602 50</u>

CONTRACT No. 2.

DR.

1870.			
July 18.	To paid warrant No. 587.....		\$1,600 00
Aug. 11.	" " No. 602.....		400 00
			<u>\$2,000 00</u>

1869.			
Nov. 26.	To paid by warrant No. 457.....		\$1,250 00
	Paid on contract No. 2, by mistake, and charged to contract No. 4, Sept. 30, 1871.		

CR.

1869.			
July 29.	By amount of contract.....		\$2,000 00
			<u>\$2,000 00</u>

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CONTRACT NO. 3.

1870.	Dr.	
July 18.	To paid warrant No. 896.....	\$440 00
Aug. 11.	" " " " 604.....	110 00
		<u>\$550 00</u>
1870.	Cr.	
July 6.	By amount of contract.....	<u>\$550 00</u>

CONTRACT NO. 4.

1870.	Dr.	
Oct. 14.	To paid warrant No 642.....	\$8,200 00
Nov. 2.	" " " " 674.....	2,560 00
1871.		
June 8.	" " " " 778.....	800 00
"	" " " " 774.....	2,560 00
Sept. 2.	" " " " 812.....	640 00
"	" " " " 818.....	640 00
Oct. 2.	" " " " 840.....	2,750 00
Sep. 30.	To warrant 457 charged.....	1,250 00
Dec. 27.	To paid warrant No. 902.....	840 00
		<u>\$15,240 00</u>
1870	Cr.	
July 7.	By amount of contract.....	\$14,400 00
1871.		
Dec. 27.	By extra.....	840 00
		<u>\$15,240 00</u>
1871.	Cr.	
Nov. 23.	By balance on warrant 840.....	\$402 16
Dec. 27.	" " " " 902.....	840 00

CONTRACT NO. 5.

1870.	Dr.	
Sep. 10.	To paid warrant No. 620.....	\$2,000 00
Nov. 2.	" " " " 675.....	2,000 00
Dec. 9.	" " " " 708.....	500 00
Dec. 9.	" " " " 704.....	500 00
		<u>\$5,000 00</u>
1870.	Cr.	
July 7.	By amount of contract.....	<u>\$5,000 00</u>

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OBED SMITH'S ACC'T.—CONTRACT NO. 3.

Duncan, Alpena, and Au Sable Road.

Dr.

1870.		
July 14.	To Byron Matteson.....	\$0 50
" "	" H. R. Morse.....	1 50
" 28.	" Geo. W. Fletcher.....	2 40
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		\$4 40
Sept. 17.	To Wm. H. Phelps.....	1 00
Nov. 2.	" J. Ryan.....	10
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		\$1 10
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		\$5 50
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Cr.

1870,		
July 13.	By warrant (536).....	\$4 40
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		\$4 40
Aug. 11.	" " (604).....	1 10
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		\$5 50
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Dr.

1871.		
June 6.	To Luce & Co.....	\$1,250 00
" 24.	J. A. Case.....	9 18
" 28.	J. Ryan.....	150 00
" 28.	O. Smith.....	850 00
July 8.	S. Leavett.....	200 00
" 12.	O. Smith.....	50 00
" 14.	G. N. Fletcher.....	350 00
" 15.	Jas. McElroy.....	50 00
" 18.	T. Luce & Co.....	50 00
" 21.	Chas. Emerson.....	50 00
" 28.	T. Luce & Co.....	50 84
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		\$2,560 00
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Cr.

1871.		
June 8.	By warrant (774).....	\$2,560 00
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		\$2,560 00
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CONTRACT No. 2.

Dr.

1870.		
Oct. 21.	To E. H. Porter.....	\$1,000 00
" 7.	" C. Hewitt.....	1,000 00
" "	" ".....	1,200 00
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		\$3,200 00
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Cr.	
Oct. 14.—By warrant (642).....	\$2,200 00
	<u>\$2,200 00</u>

1870.		Dr.	
Nov. 14.	To S. L. Carpenter.....		\$20 03
Dec. 1.	" D. Preston & Co.,.....		1,500 00
Dec. 21.	" W. E. Scott.....		84 30
Dec. 21.	" J. McArthur.....		200 00
Dec. 21.	" O. Smith.....		100 00
Dec. 21.	" A. W. Comstock.....		58 04
1871.			
Jan. 12.	" Alfred Watson.....		150 00
" 22.	" J. W. Edwards.....		100 00
Feb. 2.	" S. Doyle.....		50 00
Feb. 24.	" F. W. Gilchrist.....		150 00
Mar. 8.	" D. McArthur.....		50 00
May 12.	" D. S. Wheelock.....		88 50
			<u>\$2,500 00</u>

1870.		Cr.	
Nov. 2.	By warrant (674).....		\$2,500 00
			<u>\$2,500 00</u>

1871.		Dr.	
June 24.	To A. Pack.....		\$800 00
1871.		Cr.	
June 8.	By warrant (773).....		\$800 00

1871.		Dr.	
Sept. 4.	To G. A. Butterfield.....		\$50 00
" 2.	" A. R. Richardson.....		227 84
" 2.	" L. Smith.....		100 00
" 2.	" E. Falkenburg.....		100 00
" 21.	" Emil Walsh.....		100 00
Oct. 26.	" D. McArthur.....		102 16
			<u>\$640 00</u>

1871.		Cr.	
Sept. 2.	By warrant (812).....		\$640 00
			<u>\$640 00</u>

1871.		Dr.	
Oct. 26.	To D. McArthur.....		\$127 84
" 26.	" M. W. Horne.....		200 00
" 26.	" Crazen & Davis.....		50 00
" 26.	" W. H. Johnson.....		50 00
" 26.	" T. Earls.....		100 00
Nov. 10.	" J. D. Wallington.....		2 16
			<u>\$640 00</u>

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1871. Cr.
Sept. 2. By warrant (313)..... \$340 00

\$340 00

1871. Dr.
Oct. 25. To T. Rathay..... \$1,000 00
" 9. " T. Luce & Co.,..... 1,350 00
Nov. 10. " J. D. Willington..... 97 84

1871. Cr.
Oct. 2. By warrant (340)..... \$2,750 00

\$2,750 00

1871. Dr.
Dec. 1. O. Smith..... \$350 00
" 6. " J. H. Hill..... 79 79

1871. Cr.
Dec. 29. By warrant (302)..... \$340 00

\$340 00

[EXHIBIT PP.]

SUBDIVISION.	Section.	Town.	Range.	Area.		REMARKS.
				Acres.	100ths.	
Lot 1.....	8	10 n	3 e	69 66		J. B. Barr, Apr. 1, '67.
Lot 2.....	8	19 n	3 e	57 49		J. B. Barr, Apr. 1, '67
ne of nw.....	7	10 n	3 e	40		J. B. Barr, Apr. 1, '67.
n of nw.....	10	10 n	3 e	80	R	
nw of nw.....	17	10 n	3 e	40		
se of se.....	14	11 n	3 e	40	R	
se of ne.....	27	11 n	3 e	40	R	
nw of ne.....	34	11 n	3 e	40	R	
se of n.....	34	11 n	3 e	157 88	R	
lot No. 2.....	35	11 n	3 e	31 15		J. H. Hill
s of n.....	35	11 n	3 e	57 46		
ne of se.....	31	10 n	1 w	40	L	
s of ne.....	29	10 n	1 w	80	L	
s of ne.....	33	10 n	1 w	80	L	
nw of sw.....	21	1 n	3 w	40	L	
sw of se.....	13	4 n	13 w	40	L	
se of se.....	13	4 n	13 w	40	L	

SUBDIVISION.	Section.	Town.	Range.	Acres.	100th.	REMARKS.
sw of nw.....	26	8 n	15 w	40	L	.....
w ½ of se ¼.....	23	8 n	15 w	90	L	.....
n ½ of sw ¼.....	26	8 n	15 w	80	L	.....
w ½ of nw.....	19	2 n	15 w	54 20	L	.....
e ½ of sw.....	18	2 n	15 w	80	L	.....
se of sw.....	18	2 n	16 w	40	L	.....
nw of ne.....	18	2 n	16 w	40	L	.....
se of se.....	14	2 n	16 w	40	L	.....
se of sw.....	14	2 n	16 w	40	L	.....
w ½ of nw.....	24	2 n	16 w	80	L	.....
ne of ne.....	12	5 n	16 w	40	R	.....
n ½ of nw.....	1	9 n	7 w	63 23		J. Gridley—W. D. L.
nw of sw.....	36	10 n	10 w	40		J. B. Barr.
se of sw.....	36	10 n	10 w	40		J. B. Barr.
ne of sw.....	1	10 n	11 w	40		J. B. Barr.
nw of ne.....	31	10 n	14 w	40		.....
sw of nw.....	26	10 n	14 w	40	L	.....
nw of se.....	26	10 n	14 w	40	L	.....
s ½ of se.....	25	12 n	1 w	80		J. Mills.
sw of se.....	31	12 n	2 w	40		L. Smith.
se ¼.....	18	18 n	18 w	160	R	.....
se of ne.....	25	15 n	6 w	40		J. Larkin.
ne of se.....	25	15 n	6 w	40		J. Larkin.
ne ½ of sw ¼.....	1	15 n	12 w	39 42	R	.....
nw ¼ of nw ¼.....	5	15 n	12 w	35 64	R	.....
se of se.....	7	15 n	12 w	40	R	.....
w ½ of nw.....	28	15 n	12 w	80		H. Monroe.
sw of se.....	28	15 n	12 w	40		H. Monroe.
sw of ne.....	28	15 n	12 w	40		It appears that H. Monroe, as contractor, had \$45 15 due him, and that he had applied for patent on the 40 before I gave in this list for Mr. Hall. I therefore withdraw E. Hall's application, to allow the land to be patented to Mr. Monroe, May 25, 1871.—L. B. POTTER.
nw of ne.....	31	15 n	12 w	40		H. Monroe.
sw of ne.....	33	15 n	12 w	40		H. Monroe.
w of se.....	25	15 n	17 w	80	R	.....
e of nw.....	25	15 n	17 w	80	R	.....
n of ne.....	12	16 n	17 w	90	R	.....
ne of sw.....	5	22 n	1 w	40		Hewitt.
sw ¼ of nw ¼.....	19	22 n	1 w	43 15		Hewitt.
se of ne.....	24	22 n	2 w	40		Hewitt.
sw of sw.....	21	22 n	4 w	40	R	.....
sw of se.....	23	24 n	1 w	40	R	.....

SUBDIVISION.	Section.	Town.	Range.	AREA. Acres. 100ha.	REMARKS.
se of sw.....	23	24 n	1 w	40 R	.....
se of sw.....	81	24 n	2 w	40	Hewitt.
se of se.....	81	24 n	2 w	40	Hewitt.
sof ne.....	82	24 n	2 w	80	Hewitt.
nw of se.....	82	24 n	2 w	40	Hewitt.
sw of nw.....	88	24 n	2 w	40	Hewitt.
se of se.....	86	24 n	2 w	40	Hewitt.
ne frl of ne frl.....	1	28 n	2 w	51 87 R	.....
e of sw.....	88	24 n	4 w	80 R	.....
w of se.....	88	24 n	4 w	80 R	.....
se of se.....	88	24 n	4 w	40 R	.....
w of se.....	27	25 n	11 w	80 R	.....
ne of nw.....	18	26 n	16 w	40 R	.....
e of sw.....	18	26 n	16 w	80 R	.....
e of nw.....	13	26 n	15 w	80 R	.....
nw of nw.....	18	26 n	15 w	40 R	.....
sfr.....	1	26 n	15 w	15 80 R	.....
sw of ne.....	17	27 n	10 w	40	Bacon & Goodrich.
no of se.....	17	27 n	10 w	80	" "
ne of sw.....	17	27 n	10 w	40	" "
sw of sw.....	17	27 n	10 w	40	" "
se of se.....	18	27 n	10 w	40	" "
ne of ne.....	19	27 n	10 w	40	" "
nw frl of nw frl.....	19	27 n	10 w	27 01	" "
nw frl of sw frl.....	19	27 n	10 w	24 84	" "
se of se.....	17	27 n	11 w	40	Bacon.
e of ne.....	24	27 n	11 w	80	Bacon.
ne of se.....	24	27 n	11 w	40	Bacon.
sw of nw.....	27	27 n	18 w	40 R	.....
se of se.....	28	27 n	18 w	40	Bacon.
e of ne.....	88	27 n	18 w	80	Bacon.
ne frl of se frl.....	88	27 n	18 w	35 70	Bacon.
lot No. 2.....	30	27 n	14 w	40 20 R	.....
sw of ne.....	81	27 n	14 w	40 R	.....
w of sw.....	82	27 n	14 w	80 R	.....
se of sw.....	82	27 n	14 w	40 R	.....
sw of ne.....	8	28 n	1 w	40	Pat'd Frost, R. 9864.
se of nw.....	8	28 n	1 w	40	" "
ne of sw.....	8	28 n	1 w	40	" "
sw of ne.....	22	28 n	1 w	40	" "
nw of se.....	22	28 n	1 w	40	" "
ne of sw.....	22	28 n	1 w	40	" "
e of nw.....	22	28 n	1 w	80	" "
sw of ne.....	18	28 n	2 w	40	" "
se of nw.....	18	28 n	2 w	40	" "
ne of sw.....	18	28 n	2 w	40	" "
ne of ne.....	19	28 n	2 w	40	" "
sw of se.....	6	28 n	12 w	40 R	.....
sw of ne.....	17	28 n	12 w	40 R	.....

SUBDIVISION.	Section.	Town.	Range.	Acres.	100ths.	REMARKS.
w of s e.....	17	28 n	13 w	80	R	.....
n w of n e.....	20	26 n	12 w	40	R	.....
s e of n e.....	21	28 n	12 w	40	R	.....
n w of s e.....	21	26 n	12 w	40	R	.....
n w of s w.....	21	28 n	12 w	40	R	.....
s w of n w.....	21	28 n	12 w	40	R	.....
s e of s e.....	3	29 n	11 w	40		.....
n e of n e.....	10	29 n	11 w	40		.....
s of s e.....	7	29 n	11 w	80	R	.....
s w of s w.....	8	29 n	11 w	40	R	.....
n of n w.....	17	29 n	11 w	80	R	.....
n e of s w.....	14	29 n	12 w	40		.....
n of n e.....	24	29 n	12 w	80		.....
s e of n e.....	24	29 n	12 w	40		.....
lot No. 3.....	24	29 n	12 w	28 50		.....
n e of s e.....	9	29 n	13 w	40		.....
s e of n e.....	9	29 n	13 w	40		.....
n w of n e.....	9	29 n	13 w	40		.....
e of n w.....	9	29 n	13 w	80		.....
n w of n w.....	9	29 n	13 w	40		.....
s w of s e.....	23	29 n	14 w	40		.....
s e of s w.....	23	29 n	14 w	40		.....
n w of n e.....	26	29 n	14 w	40		.....
n e of n w.....	26	29 n	14 w	40		.....
s e of s w.....	4	31 n	1 w	40		.....
s w of s e.....	21	31 n	1 w	40		.....
s e of s w.....	21	31 n	1 w	40		.....
s w of n w.....	26	31 n	1 w	40		.....
s e of n e.....	27	31 n	1 w	80		.....
n e of s w.....	27	31 n	1 w	40		.....
s e of n e.....	28	31 n	1 w	40		.....
n of n w.....	28	31 n	1 w	80		.....
s w of n w.....	28	31 n	1 w	40		.....
n e of n e.....	28	31 n	11 w	40		.....
n e of s w.....	26	32 n	7 w	40		.....
n w of s e.....	14	33 n	8 w	40		.....
s e of s w.....	28	34 n	8 w	40		.....
w of n w.....	21	25 n	7 w	80	R	.....
n of s e.....	12	12 n	5 e	80	R	.....
n e of s w.....	15	13 n	5 e	40	R	.....
s e of n w.....	22	13 n	5 e	40	R	.....
s w of s e.....	23	13 n	5 e	40	R	.....
s w of s e.....	35	13 n	5 e	40	R
s e of n w.....	22	13 n	6 e	40	R
s e of n e.....	31	13 n	6 e	40	R
e of s e.....	31	13 n	6 e	80	R
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s w of s e.....	32	13 n	6 e	40	

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Com'r State Land Office :

Please reserve the foregoing list of lands on my contract,—
No. 27, Ionia, Houghton Lake and Mackinac State road.
Some of them have heretofore been licensed. For these, you
will find, herewith, proofs of non-settlement. Some have been
reserved by other parties, whose claim I believe not good, and
therefore apply for them.

Lansing, Dec. 5, 1870.

J. W. VAN RIPER,
By EDMOND HALL,
Per. L. B. POTTER.

[EXHIBIT QQ.]

SUBDIVISION.	Section.	Town.	Range.	Acres. 100ths.	REMARKS.
Se $\frac{1}{4}$ of nw $\frac{1}{4}$	1	30 N	7 E	40	Obed Smith (Erased).
Nw $\frac{1}{4}$ of sw $\frac{1}{4}$	3	30	7	40	" (Erased).
Se $\frac{1}{4}$ of nw $\frac{1}{4}$ and e $\frac{1}{4}$ of sw $\frac{1}{4}$	4	30	7	120	" Erased.
Nw $\frac{1}{4}$ of sw $\frac{1}{4}$	5	37 N	2 W	40	" Erased.
Ne $\frac{1}{4}$ of se $\frac{1}{4}$	6	37	2	40	" Erased.
Sw $\frac{1}{4}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$ and nw $\frac{1}{4}$ of se $\frac{1}{4}$	8	37	2	80	" Erased.
S $\frac{1}{2}$ of se $\frac{1}{4}$	6	37	2	80	" Erased.
Ne $\frac{1}{4}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	7	37	2	40	" Erased.
N $\frac{1}{2}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	21	37	1 E	80	" Erased.
Sw $\frac{1}{4}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	18	37	1	40	" Erased.
S $\frac{1}{2}$ of se $\frac{1}{4}$	27	32	8 E	80	"
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of sw $\frac{1}{4}$	4	31	8	80	"
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	2	31	8	84 78	"
S $\frac{1}{2}$ of se $\frac{1}{4}$	6	36 E	1 E	80	" Erased.
S $\frac{1}{2}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$	9	36	1	80	" Erased.
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of sw $\frac{1}{4}$	5	36	1	80	" Erased.
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of se $\frac{1}{4}$	20	37	1 W	80	" Erased.
Ne $\frac{1}{4}$ of nw $\frac{1}{4}$	10	31	8 E	40	"
Ne $\frac{1}{4}$ of.....	24	36	2 W	68 66	" Erased.
E $\frac{1}{4}$ of se $\frac{1}{4}$	9	36	1 E	80	" Erased.
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of nw $\frac{1}{4}$	13	31	5	80	"
S $\frac{1}{2}$ of ne $\frac{1}{4}$ and e $\frac{1}{4}$ of nw $\frac{1}{4}$...	14	31	5	160	"
Se $\frac{1}{4}$ of se $\frac{1}{4}$	11	31	5	40	"
Nw $\frac{1}{4}$ of.....	12	31	5	160	"
Ne $\frac{1}{4}$ of nw $\frac{1}{4}$	15	31	5	40	" Erased

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W. A. Barnard, Esq.:

DEAR SIR—Will you please reserve for me on my contract the above list of lands for a few days until my man returns from the woods. I am not entirely satisfied about them until I get another report. If you will do this I will make it all right for your trouble. If they are vacant and you will do as above requested, *telegraph me without fail to-morrow morning.*

Yours,

H. C. RIPLEY.

EAST SAGINAW, NOV. 23, 1871.

Wm. A. Barnard:

I am waiting for telegraph from about lands ordered yesterday.

R. C. RIPLEY.

Ans. immediately.

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, November 23, 1870. }

Henry C. Ripley, East Saginaw, Mich.:

The lands are Obed Smith's reservation. You have not credit to hold all of them.

I am looking over Smith's account.

WM. A. BARNARD,
Dep. Com.

EAST SAGINAW, 23 Nov., 1871.

Wm. A. Barnard, Dep. Com'r:

If lands are in market furnish scrip for whatever I am short, or reject from the list, furthest north, enough so that my credit will cover. Answer at once.

H. C. RIPLEY.

STATE LAND OFFICE, NOV. 23, 1871.

Henry C. Ripley, East Saginaw, Mich.:

Will reserve the amount of your credit, commencing south, and report by letter.

WM. A. BARNARD.
Dep. Com.

[EXHIBIT RR.]

STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, Mich., May 16, 1872. }

STATEMENT of moneys received from the State Land Office for Fees, Plats, Field-
Notes, etc., for each of the Calendar Years 1869, 1870, 1871, and 1872.

	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.
January.....	\$71 50	\$68 75	\$54 25	\$224 45
February.....	69 45	88 00	111 00	396 24
March.....	37 45	67 00	88 85	274 50
April.....	75 00	105 75	478 76	328 70
May.....	81 00	79 00	309 89	-----
June.....	94 00	70 00	246 70	-----
July.....	185 00	68 15	146 95	-----
August.....	64 85	41 85	899 50	-----
September.....	82 00	88 00	252 45	-----
October.....	106 25	68 25	178 45	-----
November.....	82 20	1,982 80	347 90	-----
December.....	64 45	100 20	128 75	-----
	<hr/> \$1,082 65	<hr/> \$2,611 75	<hr/> \$2,788 45	<hr/> \$1,223 89

[EXHIBIT SS.]

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, January 4, 1871. }

Hon. Chas. A. Edmonds, Com'r State Land Office:

DEAR SIR,—I have examined the question submitted to me by you, in the matter of Obed Smith, Esq., and reply to your interrogations as follows:

First. That if the orders given by Smith were for matured scrip, they were properly chargeable to him on his contracts. If they were given for land, then they should not be charged to him, except for the amount of land actually taken on the orders. That any order given by him could be revoked by him as to the amounts not actually taken on the order.

Second. That scrip issued to him on any of his contracts should be applied on the contract upon which issued, unless some change of contract was made and motive of the change given to the Commissioner, when all reservations on the entire contract, as amended, would be open for selection.

Third. It seems to me to be reasonable that the Commissioner should give notice to the contractor, or his assignees, in case he has overdrawn on his contract.

Fourth. I think Smith can hold his land on unmatured scrip, which, when matured, would pay for such land. That is, he can hold what is then his due, after deducting all payments.

Fifth. I think Smith can hold the lands charged to him, and which have been allowed on his reservations, and that lands reserved on the amended contract are governed by it, so far as it is a new contract, except as modified by the second proposition above.

My answers to your questions are based upon what I understand has hitherto been the practice in your office, and what I deem to be a reasonable construction of the relations and duties of the parties to a swamp road contractor.

Respectfully yours,

DWIGHT MAY,

Attorney General.

EAST SAGINAW, MICH., 29th Dec., 1871.

W. A. Barnard, Esq.:

MY DEAR SIR,—I enclose \$60 on New York, and want the two fractions in S. E. corner of Sec. 16, T. 24 N., R. 3 W.

The fractions are 59.80 acres, I think. I enclose also \$5 to buy a cigar for New Year's, and desire you to not let any of my reserved lands get rubbed out, and I further pray you to see generally that no calamity befalls me.

Oh, I enclose, also, deed that was made out to E. J. Goddard. I didn't notice the name until I sent it for record. My name is Ezra G., and the J. got in by mistake. Can you change it?

With a merry Christmas and happy New Year, and great love, I am,

Most respectfully yours,

E. G. GODDARD.

Indorsed on the back as follows:

"Received at State Land Office, Lansing, Mich., Dec. 30. 1871."

EAST SAGINAW, MICH., 27th April, 1872.

W. A. Barnard, Esq.:

DEAR SIR,—Enclosed please find draft of \$60 to pay interest on school lands, as follows:

S. E. of S. E., Sec. 16, T. 14 N., R. 1 W., 40 acres (10602); N. $\frac{1}{2}$ of N. W., and N. W., of N. E., T. 14 N., R. 1 E., 111 (10602). Sum due, \$454.50. Date, 23d June. Time 8 months and 7 days. Interest to March 1, 1872, \$21.87.

Lots 4, and 5, and 6, Sec. 16, T. 24 N., R. 3 W. (10831). Amount due, \$179.40. Date, 30th Dec. Time 2 months. Interest to March 1, 1872, \$2.09.

N. E. of N. E. Sec. 16, T. 15 N., R. 1 E. Amount due, \$120. Date, Sept. 26th. Time, 5 months, 4 days. Interest to 1st of March, 1872, \$3.62. (10716.)

S. E. of N. W., S. $\frac{1}{2}$ of N. E., the N. W. of S. W., and S. $\frac{1}{2}$ of S. W. $\frac{1}{2}$, Sec. 16, T. 16 N., R. 15 W. Amount due, \$700.80. Date, August 14th, 1871. Time, 6 months and 16 days. Interest to March 1st, 1872, \$26.56.

E. $\frac{1}{2}$ of N. E. $\frac{1}{2}$, T. 16 N., R. 2 W. Date, 18th Jan. Amount due, \$240. Time, 1 month, 12 days. Interest to March 1, 1872, \$1.80.

Total amount \$55.94.

I enclose the \$60, for you to use the balance for the poor; and while you give, *feel*, and at last we shall all be saved from *damnation*.

Yours truly,

E. G. GODDARD.

Cannot I send the money to you to buy scrip for me, when I conclude to take patents for my State land, reserved?

Indorsed on the back as follows:

"E. G. Goddard, April 27th, 1872. Draft of \$60.00—\$56.19—\$3.81 returned with receipt.

"Filed May 9, '72."

APPLICATION FOR SETTLER'S LICENSE UNDER THE ACT OF 1859.

To the Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan :

The application of, Orson Bouck of Vernon, in the county of Shiawassee, in said State, respectfully shows that he is twenty-one years old; that he is at the time of making this present application, actually and in good faith, a resident of Vernon, in said county; that he is not the owner, in law or in equity, and has no legal or equitable claim to the title or right of possession of forty acres of land, situated in any State or Territory of the United States; that he intends to reside in this State, and to settle upon, and actually and personally to occupy, cultivate, and improve the following described tract of land, being parcel of the "Swamp Lands," belonging to the State of Michigan, situated and lying in the township of Venice, in the county of Shiawassee, in said State, described in the public surveys made under the authority of the United States, as the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 36, town seven north, of range four east, containing forty acres. He further shows that he has not heretofore, upon the application of himself, or of any person in his behalf, or for his benefit, directly or indirectly, obtained any license under the act hereinafter mentioned; and that he makes this application for the purpose of obtaining title to said tract under the act hereinafter mentioned.

And the said Orson Bouck presents to the Honorable the Commissioner of the State Land Office, this, his application, for a license to enter and settle upon, occupy, drain, and improve the above described tract or parcel of swamp land, according to the provisions of the act of the State of Michigan, entitled "An act to provide for the settlement and drainage of swamp lands by actual settlers," being act number two hundred and twenty-nine of the session laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, and acts amendatory thereto; and the said applicant, for himself, his heirs, executors, and administrators, hereby agrees, to and with the State of Michigan, to observe

and be bound by all and singular the provisions of said act, and of any other statute of the State, relating to said tract of land, not impairing his rights under said act, and faithfully to abide by, keep, and perform, and be subject to all the terms and conditions of the license which may be obtained upon this, his application.

ORSON BOUCK.

Witness :

THOMAS PARENT.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Shiawassee, } ss.

Orson Bouck, the person named in the foregoing application, to me well known to be the person therein named, being duly sworn by me, deposes and says that he has heard the above application, by him subscribed, read, and well knows the contents thereof, and that the facts therein stated are, to his own personal knowledge, true.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this 4th day of March, 1865.

JOHN N. INGERSOLL,

Notary Public for said County.

[5 cent rev. stamp, canceled.]

Indorsed on the back as follows :

"Application for settler's license under act of 1859. No. 4285.

"Name, Orson Bouck. Date, 4th March, 1865. Description,—N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$, of Sec. 36, T. 7 N. R. 4. E. When license issued, Mar. 14, 1865.

"You may make another license for this."

No. 4285.

SETTLER'S LICENSE UNDER ACT 106, APPROVED MARCH 7, 1861.

To all Whom these Presents shall Come :

Whereas, Orson Bouck of Vernon, in the county of Shiawassee, has made application to the Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan, under the act entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the settlement and drainage of swamp lands by actual settlers," approved March 7, 1861, and the acts amendatory thereto, for the privilege of entering and settling upon, occupying, draining, and improving that certain tract or parcel of the swamp lands of this State, situated and lying in the township of Venice, in the county of Shiawassee, in this State, described in the public surveys, made under the authority of the United States, as the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 36, T. 7 N., R. 4 E., containing 40 acres, and has made oath to said application, as required by law, and agreed for himself, his heirs, executors, and administrators, to observe and be bound by all and singular the provisions of said act and of any other statute relating to said tract of land not impairing his rights under said act, and faithfully to abide by, keep, and perform, and be subject to all the terms and conditions of this present License, which issues upon said application :

Now Know Ye, That I, the undersigned, Commissioner of the State Land Office, for and in behalf of the State of Michigan, do hereby license and authorize the said Orson Bouck to enter and settle upon, occupy, drain, and improve the above described tract or parcel of land, containing 40 acres, subject to the terms and conditions following, that is to say :

First. That said applicant shall enter into immediate possession and occupancy of said tract of land, and shall continue to reside upon, occupy, and improve the same for five continuous years.

Second. That said applicant shall, within three months from the date of this instrument, file with the Commissioner of the State Land Office, a certificate from the supervisor of the township in which the land is located, together with his own affidavit, that he is in the actual possession and occupancy of such land.

Third. That in case it shall appear that he was, at the date of said application, the owner, in law or equity, of forty acres

of land, in any State or Territory of the United States, and that his said application is, in this behalf, willfully and knowingly false, this license shall be deemed void from the beginning, and all his right, title, and claim to said tract, shall cease and become absolutely null.

Fourth. That said applicant has not heretofore, upon the application of himself or of any person in his behalf, or for his benefit, directly or indirectly, obtained any license under said act, or any other law of this State.

Fifth. That said applicant shall not cut, take, and carry away, upon or from said tract, any pine timber or other valuable timber, except for the sole purpose of clearing said land for actual cultivation; and in that case so much as may be necessary to improve said land, and no more. And, for the violation of this condition, he shall be liable to all the forfeitures, penalties, and liabilities of a trespasser upon the State lands, as is now or as may hereafter be provided for by law.

On the breach of any one of which conditions, this license is to be void and of no effect in favor of said applicant.

And it is further provided, That if said applicant or settler shall not file his certificate and oath of settlement and occupancy, as above provided, or if the evidence of two witnesses, under oath, is furnished to the Commissioner of the State Land Office, that the clause above mentioned to prevent waste has been violated, then his claim shall be deemed as void, and the Commissioner of the State Land Office shall, from and after said time, sell said land the same as other swamp lands.

The said applicant is not at liberty to assign or transfer the present license; nor can he transfer his possession to another; and no person taking possession under him, either with or without his consent, will acquire any right whatever to said land; but in case of the death of said applicant before the expiration of this license, his heirs-at-law, if in the actual possession and occupancy of the tract, will be entitled to all his right, interest, and estate therein.

And the said applicant also stipulates and agrees with the State, that he will faithfully occupy the said tract of land, and will drain the same conformably to the above mentioned act, and to the provisions of the act of Congress therein referred to, for the purpose of obtaining title to said tract, as provided by law.

And in case the said applicant shall actually occupy and reside upon said tract for the period of five continuous years, and shall in all things comply with the above recited act of 1861, and keep and perform all and singular the provisions, terms, and conditions contained in this present license, he will at the end of that time be entitled to a certificate of purchase of said tract of land, and a patent therefor from the State.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at Lansing, this 14th day of March, A. D. 1865.

CYRUS HEWITT,

Commissioner of the State Land Office.

PROOF OF SETTLEMENT AND OCCUPATION,

*To Perfect Title to Lands Licensed under the Provisions of Act No. 229,
Session Laws of 1859.*

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Shiawassee, } ss.

On the first day of March, 1872, personally appeared before the undersigned, notary public for said county, Orson Bouck, who being duly sworn, according to law, deposes and says, in relation to land licensed to him on the fourteenth day of March, 1865, as per License No. 4285, describing land as follows: The N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$, of Sec. 36, T. 7 N., of R. 4 E.; that the same was for his own use, and for the purposes of actual settlement and cultivation, under the provisions of the act of the Legislature, approved February 15, 1859, "to provide for the settlement and drainage of swamp land, by actual settlers;" that he is now in the occupancy of said land, and has been residing thereon since the fourteenth day of March,

1865; that he has made the following improvements, to wit: A good log house, a good log barn, seven acres improved on said lot, well fenced, forty-five apple trees, and other shrubbery, and a good well of water. That he has drained the same as follows: A ditch forty rods on the low ground, north and south, straight through the improvements, so as to comply with the provisions of said act No. 229.

ORSON BOUCK.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this first day of March, 1872.

ELISHA KINSMAN,

Notary Public.

NOTE—The above affidavits of settlement may be taken before a justice of the peace or notary public. The applicant must give a full description of the improvements, and of the manner in which the land is drained.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Shiawassee, } ss.

Before the undersigned, a notary public in and for said county, personally appeared A. F. Chalker, a resident of said county, who being duly sworn, according to law, deposes and says, that he is well acquainted with Orson Bouck, who subscribed to the foregoing deposition, and knows him to be the identical person who obtained a license for the land described therein, and that he is now, and has been residing upon said land since the fourteenth day of March, 1865, and that his statement in regard to the improvements on said land, and the drainage thereof, is true.

A. F. CHALKER.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this first day of March, 1872.

ELISHA KINSMAN,

Notary Public.

Indorsed on the back as follows:

"License No. 4285. Proof of settlement and occupation. Received March 2, 1872. Orson Bouck, Vernon, Shiawassee county. Patent handed to Van Dunham."

VENICE, Nov. 1, 1861.

The Commissioner State Land Office :

SIR—This is to certify that Orson Bouck made application to me, sometime in July, 1865, for a certificate of residence, which I gave him, I being at the time supervisor, and said Bouck having a license for the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of the S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 36, Town 7, 4 E.; and I also certify that the said Orson Bouck has continued to reside on said land up to the present time.

Yours, respectfully,

ASAHEL OWEN.

VERNON, Nov. 6, 1871.

We, the undersigned, do qualify and say that we are acquainted with Orson Bouck, and do know that he has lived on the northwest quarter of section 36, in town 7 north, of 4 east, and has lived on the same for the last six years or thereabouts, and cleared and fenced from seven to ten acres, or thereabouts, and built a comfortable log house, and log barn and stable, and set out an orchard and other shrubbery, and has also got a private road for half a mile, opened and traveled. All the above in the town of Venice, county of Shiawassee, State of Michigan. We, and each of us, do solemnly swear the within statement to be correct and true.

WILLIAM BROWN,	A. W. SMITH,
GEORGE BROWN,	LEVI SMITH,
LESTER T. BRUNO,	JAMES BAIRD,
C. BIERES.	

Sworn and subscribed to before me, a Justice of the Peace, Township of Vernon, Shiawassee County, State of Michigan.

Dated November 6, 1871.

C. C. CHALKER,

Justice of the Peace.

VENICE, Nov. 7, 1871.

I hereby certify that Orson Bouck has lived on the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 36, 7-4, for the last six years, or thereabouts, and is now a resident of the above described land.

ALEXANDER STEWART,

Superior of the Township of Venice.

[EXHIBIT TT.]

STATE OF MICHIGAN, STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, December 21, 1871. }

Charles Conley, Esq., North Branch, M.

DEAR SIR:—In reply to yours of the 9th inst., I have to say that it appears by the records of this office, that Sec. 2 of your license, No. 4719, for S. fl. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. W. fl. $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 6, 10 N., 12 E., has never been complied with, and in consequence the license became void and of no effect after the expiration of the three months allowed by law for that purpose. The land, therefore, has been sold to Hoyt & Draper, of East Saginaw, on their application of the 14th inst.

Yours truly,

W. A. BARNARD,
Dep. Commissioner.

[EXHIBIT UU.]

PROOF OF ABANDONMENT, UNDER ACT 108, SESSION LAWS OF 1861.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Ingham, } ss.

Wm. C. Bush, being duly sworn, depose and say that he is a resident of the town of Saginaw, in the county of Michigan, and State of Michigan, and that he is well acquainted with the following description of land, to wit: S. $\frac{1}{4}$ of N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 14, town 15 north, range 7 west; and that Henry Dimon, who obtained license No. 4854 for said description, has abandoned the same, and has not resided upon said land for the two years last past.

W. C. BUSH.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 18th day of May,
A. D. 1871.

M. O. ROBINSON,
Notary Public.

NOTE.—The affidavit to be made by the supervisor of the township, or by the party applying for the land.

John A. Markle, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that he is supervisor of the township of Sheridan, in which the following described land is situated, to-wit: The S. $\frac{1}{4}$ of N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 4, town 15 N. of R. 7 W.; and that Henry Dimon, who obtained license No. 4854, for said description, has not abandoned the same, and has worked on the same for the past three years, and built a house before that time,—it looks pretty old,—and now occupies the same for his home. He has about three acres cleared, and about four acres cut down, making in all about seven acres, and a crop this year. His neighbors tell me that he has had a crop on the place every year since he took the land; this can be proven by good witnesses. His neighbors also tell me that he has fulfilled, to the very letter of the law, and I have no doubt of that statement.

JOHN A. MARKLE.

Dated this 15th day of September A. D., 1871.

ALLEN E. CLEMENT,
Justice of the Peace.

SHERIDAN, Oct. 4, 1871.

Mr. Wm. A. Barnard, Esq.:

I received the enclosed affidavit and returned to John A. Markle, and he signed it without any hesitation whatever, and if you give me my claim please let me know soon as you can write, and please do not forget to write me, for whether you do or not I shall keep right on at work on it, and I will soon fix this thing all right through course of law if I can not get it without.

Yours truly,

HENRY DIMON.

York, Mich.

Everybody says that I am foolish for going to so much expense, for they say that I can hold it in spite of every thing.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, {
Mecosta County. } *Sheridan T'p, Feb. the 22d, 1872.*

We, the undersigned, being duly sworn, depose and say that we are citizens of the township of Sheridan, in which the following described land is situated, to wit: the S. $\frac{1}{4}$ of N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 4, T. 15 N., R. 7 W., and that Henry Dimon, who obtained license No. 4854 for said description, has not abandoned the same, and has complied with the terms of said license, and settled upon the land described therein as required by law; also that he has improved the same by chopping about seven acres and clearing nearly three acres of the seven, and raised crops thereon during the four years past, and by building a house thereon, which he occupies as his home.

HENRY DIMON,
 ZACHARIAH ONERLA,
 ABRAHAM N. REID,
 WILLIAM MCCOMBS.

JACOB ISANHART,
Justice of the Peace.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, {
Mecosta County, } ss.

I, Charlie Gay, clerk of said county, and clerk of the circuit court for the county of Mecosta, do hereby certify, that Jacob R. Isanhart, whose name is subscribed to the certificate or proof of acknowledgment of the annexed instrument, and therein written, was, at the time of taking such proof or acknowledgment, a justice of the peace in and for said county, duly qualified and duly authorized to take the same; and further, that I am well acquainted with his handwriting and verily believe that the signature to the said certificate or proof of acknowledgment is genuine. I further certify that said instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the laws of this State.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand
 [L. S.] and affixed the seal of said county, at the city of
 Big Rapids, this 11th day of March, A. D. 1872.

CHARLIE GAY, *Clerk.*
 By M. W. BARROWS, *Deputy.*

EAST SAGINAW, Nov. 7, 1871.

W. A. Barnard, Esq., Dep. Com'r, Lansing, Mich.:

SIR,—In relation to Henry Dimon's claim on the S. $\frac{1}{2}$, N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 4, T. 15 N., 7 west. His home is on the N. $\frac{1}{2}$ S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 4, a government homestead. And that there was up to the time I filed proof, no improvement on the same. He has since underbrushed about one acre, and has some sort of crop. There is a log pen, 8x10 and 6 feet high, which, until this season, has had neither door or roof; and where his crop was raised last winter, there was a crop of second-growth of soft maple and poplar so large that it would have taken at least four years to have grown there; and that which they claim is a clearing, would be called, by a farmer, a windfall burnt over some.

These are the facts in the case. He has never lived on the land according to law. He has a fair improvement on the N. $\frac{1}{2}$ S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 4, where himself and family has always resided, and where he claimed to own now, since he has lived in this town. Until further, I remain

Yours respectfully,

W. C. BUSH.

STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, October 13, 1871. }

H. C. Ripley, Esq., East Saginaw, M.:

DEAR SIR,—It appears, as the proofs come in, that the S. $\frac{1}{2}$ of N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 4, 15 N., 7 W., patented to Emma A. Ripley, Jan. 18, 1871, on proof of abandonment by W. C. Bush, has been occupied and improved by Henry Dimon, since the date of his license (March 2, 1867). I enclose a copy of an affidavit on file here, from John A. Markle, Supervisor, and have several letters here on file from Dimon, in which he claims to have complied in every with the terms of his license, and that the proof of abandonment by Bush is illegal. If so, the land should be restored to Dimon, as he still occupies the land. Please call Bush's attention to the proof, so that the

matter can be arranged in some manner the next time you come to Lansing.

Yours truly,

W. A. BARNARD.

Dep. Com.

[Copy.]

John H. Markle, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is supervisor of the township of Sheridan, in which the following described lands are situated, to wit: The S. $\frac{1}{2}$ of N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 4, T. 15 N., of R. 7 W., and that Henry Dimon, who obtained License No. 4854, for said description, has not abandoned the same, and has worked on the same for the past three years and built a house before that time; it looks pretty old; and now occupies the same for his home. He has about three acres cleared, and about four acres cut down, making in all about seven acres, and a crop this year. His neighbors tell me that he has had a crop on the place every year since he took the land. This can be proved by good witnesses. His neighbors also tell me that he has fulfilled to the very letter of the law, and I have no doubt of that statement.

JOHN H. MARKLE.

Dated this 15th day of September, A. D. 1871.

ALLEN E. CLEMENT,

Justice of the Peace.

APPLICATION FOR SETTLER'S LICENSE, UNDER THE ACT OF 1861.

To the Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Michigan:

The application of Henry Dimon, of Leonard, in the county of Mecosta, in said State, respectfully shows that he is twenty-one years old; that he is at the time of making this present application, actually and in good faith, a resident of Leonard, in said county; that he is not the owner, in law or in equity, and has no legal or equitable claim to the title or right of possession of forty acres of land, situated in any State or Territory of the United States; that he intends to reside in this

State, and to settle upon, and actually and personally to occupy, cultivate, and improve the following described tract of land, being parcel of the "Swamp Lands," belonging to the State of Michigan, situated and lying in the township of Leonard, in the county of Mecosta, in said State, described in the public surveys made under the authority of the United States, as the S. $\frac{1}{2}$ of N. E. fr. $\frac{1}{4}$ section 4 in T. 15 N. of R. 7 W., containing 80 acres. He further shows that he has not heretofore, upon the application of himself, or of any person in his behalf, or for his benefit, directly or indirectly, obtained any license under the act hereinafter mentioned, and that he makes this application for the purpose of obtaining title to said tract under the act hereinafter mentioned.

And the said Henry Dimon presents to the Honorable the Commissioner of the State Land Office, this his application for a license to enter and settle upon, occupy, drain, and improve the above described tract or parcel of swamp land according to the provisions of the act of the State of Michigan, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to provide for the settlement and drainage of swamp lands by actual settlers,' being act number two hundred and twenty-nine of the session laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-nine," approved March 7th, 1866. And the said applicant, for himself, his heirs, executors, and administrators, hereby agrees, to and with the State of Michigan, to observe and be bound by all and singular the provisions of said act, and of any other statute of the State, relating to said tract of land, not impairing his rights under said act, and faithfully to abide by, keep, and perform, and be subject to all the terms and conditions of the license which may be obtained upon this, his application.

HENRY DIMON.

Witness: C. E. SHEPARD.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Montcalm, } ss.

Henry Dimon, the person named in the foregoing application, to me well known to be the person therein named, being

duly sworn by me, deposes and says that he has heard the above application, by him subscribed, read, and well knows the contents thereof, and that the facts therein stated are, to his own personal knowledge, true.

Subscribed and sworn before me this 27th day of February, 1867.

C. E. SHEPARD,

Notary Public for said County.

Filed as follows:

"Application for Settler's License, under the act of 1861. No. 4854. Name: Henry Dimon. Date: March 2d, 1867. Description: S. $\frac{1}{2}$ N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 4, T. 15 N., R. 7. W. When license issued: March 2d, 1867.

"Please direct Henry Dimon's license to Stanton, Montcalm Co., Mich., and much oblige,

"Respectfully yours,

"C. E. SHEPARD."

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Mecosta, } ss.

Henry Dimon, of Big Rapids, in the county of Mecosta, being duly sworn, doth depose and say that he is the identical person named in Swamp Land License numbered 4854, issued by virtue of act 108, approved March 7th, 1861; that he is an actual resident upon, and in the possession and occupancy of the S. $\frac{1}{2}$ of N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 4, in township 15 N., R. 7 W., being the land described in said License, No. 4854, and has made the following improvements thereon, to wit: That he has built a log house and chopped one acre.

HENRY DIMON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 20th day of May, A. D. 1867.

E. O. ROSE,

Notary Public.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
 County of Mecosta, } ss.

I, —, supervisor of the township of Leonard, county of Mecosta, do hereby certify that I am acquainted with the above-named settler, Henry Dimon, and the land described in the above affidavit, and that the said Henry Dimon is an actual resident on said land, and is in the possession and occupancy thereof.

Witness my hand, at the township of Big Rapids, county of Mecosta, this 20th day of May, A. D. 1867.

F. H. TODD,

Supervisor of said Township.

Filed as follows: "4854. Henry Dimon. Filed May 24, 1867."

[EXHIBIT VV.]

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, }
 Detroit, January 26, 1871. }

E. H. Porter, Esq.:

DEAR SIR,—Please reserve for Kershner & Ramsay, of this place, for a week or ten days, if vacant, the N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 35, T. 35 N., of R. 1 E.

Please let me know the present status of that piece.

Very respectfully,

THEODORE S. DAY.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, }
 Detroit, February 7th, 1871. }

E. H. Porter, Esq.:

DEAR SIR,—Enclosed you will find fifty dollars in scrip to pay for the N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of the N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 35, T. 35 N., of range 1 E. Issue a patent to Philip Kershner and Charles S. Ramsay, and send the same to me, and oblige,

Yours, etc.,

THEODORE S. DAY.

[EXHIBIT WW.]

BANKING HOUSE OF D. PRESTON & Co., }
 CORNER WOODWARD AVE. AND LARNED ST., }
Detroit, Feb. 11, 1871.

Hon. E. H. Porter, Dep. Com. S. L. O. :

DEAR SIR: Please locate in the name of Philip Kershner, of Detroit, the S. $\frac{1}{2}$ of N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 35, T. 35 N., R. 1 E., and charge our account, and send me the patent.

Yours truly,

DAVID PRESTON & CO.

[EXHIBIT XX.]

This agreement, made the — day of — A. D. 18— between ——— local commissioner, upon the ——— swamp land State road, acting as such commissioner in behalf of the State of Michigan, pursuant to the statutes of said State authorizing and providing for the construction of said road party of the first part, and ——— as principal, and ——— as suret— of the second part:

Witnesseth, that whereas, The said commissioner has given due notice (as required by the act entitled “An act to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands by means of State roads and ditches,” approved February 12th, 1859, being act No. 117, of 1859, and the acts amendatory thereof) of the time and place of the letting of the contract for the work hereinafter specified; and at the time and place specified in such notice, the contract for such work was let by said commissioner to said principal, he being the lowest responsible bidder therefor;

Now, therefore, The said parties covenant and agree as follows, to wit:

The parties of the second part, in consideration of the compensation to be made by the State of Michigan to the said principal as hereinafter provided, covenant and agree that the

said principal, shall make, construct, and finish, in a good, substantial, and workmanlike manner, on or before the — day of — A. D. 18— a road, four rods wide, between the following points, to wit: —

— being a part of the — swamp land State road, according to the said commissioner's survey thereof, and being sections numbered — as shown by such survey. The entire length of said road, so constructed, being — miles, more or less.

The following is a description of the land covered by the road to be constructed by said principal, viz: From — to — the land is — . From — to — the land is — .

The distance said road is to be constructed over dry ground, as nearly as can be ascertained, is — miles; over wet ground, — miles; and on swamp lands and marshes, — miles.

The said work is to be done and completed by the said principal in accordance with the following specifications, to wit:

All the timber and brush within the limits ($\frac{1}{4}$ rods) of the road shall be well cut down; except that, whenever any continuous half mile or more of said road shall be on sandy or gravelly soil, so open or porous that water never stands thereon, only the centre two rods need be cut out.

Said road shall be thoroughly cleared and grubbed, for a width of fifteen feet on each side of the centre of the same; and a road-bed twenty feet in width (ten feet on each side of the centre line of the road) shall be made of solid earth, high enough to be at least one foot above the level of the water at its highest stage; and shall be rounded in the centre, with a gradual slope, for carrying the water to the ditches on either side. On each side of said road-bed, ditches shall be dug, at least five feet in width at the top, and of an average depth of at least twenty inches below the natural level of the ground, sufficient, in all places, to carry off the water freely from side roads: *Provided*, That whenever said road shall cross gravelly

or sandy land, as described in preceding paragraph, the said road-bed shall be cleared and grubbed for the width of ten feet on each side of the centre line, as above specified, and shall be leveled to a smooth surface for the same width, without ditches: *And provided further*, That wherever said road shall cross swampy or marshy ground, with muck soil, after clearing and grubbing the ground as aforesaid, the said ditches shall be opened as aforesaid, and the earth removed therefrom, shall be thrown into the road-bed, and then leveled off; and upon the same shall be laid (crosswise of the road-bed) rails of sound, durable timber, not less than four by six inches, and sixteen feet in length; or poles of sound and durable timber, not less than eight nor more than ten inches in diameter, and sixteen feet in length; to be laid in the centre of the road-bed, and so compactly as to cover the ground, and form a good, substantial, and solid bed, which shall then be covered with sand, gravel, or other solid earth, free from muck, to the depth of at least twelve inches; the grading to be in all cases of sufficient height to form a dry road-bed. No timber shall be left within two feet of the outside of the ditches on either side of said road-bed.

There shall be all necessary culverts or sluices constructed, of sizes sufficient, in width and depth, to carry off the surface water freely, not less than eighteen feet in length, with sides of sound and durable flatted timber, and covered with sound pine or oak plank, or flatted timber, not less than three inches in thickness, placed on strong and substantial bearings, to sustain the same. They shall be placed at such points as may be necessary to carry off the water freely from said road, and as said commissioner shall direct. The specific dimensions of said sluices shall be as follows:

————— Ample lateral ditches shall be constructed wherever the same shall be necessary to carry the water away from said road, and at such points, and of such dimensions, as said commissioner shall direct.

In the construction of the road, the grubbing shall be kept in advance of the ditches and grading, at least eighty rods.

The grade of the road-bed, in ascending or descending, shall not exceed one foot in fifteen feet.

The work of constructing said road shall be commenced by said principal at such point, and prosecuted on such sections of two consecutive miles each, as the Board of Swamp Land State Road Commissioners of said State shall direct.

There shall be ——— bridge constructed, of the size and dimensions, and according to the plans and specifications hereto annexed, over —————

All the materials necessary for the construction of said road, and the sluices and bridges, are to be good, and suitable for the purpose, and furnished by said principal.

All of the work aforesaid is to be well done, to the satisfaction and acceptance of the said local commissioner, and of the Board of Swamp Land State Road Commissioners of this State, and to be approved by the State Board of Control.

And the said party of the first part covenants and agrees that, upon the full completion of the work aforesaid, at the time and in the manner above specified, and the acceptance thereof, he will officially certify such acceptance to the Board of Swamp Land State Road Commissioners. And that, upon the certificate of said Board of Swamp Land State Road Commissioners, that said work has been done in accordance with the terms hereof, and the approval of such certificate by a majority of the State Board of Control, the said principal shall receive, as a compensation in full for said work and materials furnished, the sum of \$———, payable in State swamp lands, which shall be selected by the said principal, his heirs or assigns, from any unsold swamp lands which may be in market in the Lower Peninsula of the State of Michigan, and applicable to the construction of said road, at the minimum price established by law at the time of such selection, and according

to the provisions of the statute in such case made and provided, and the rules and regulations of the Commissioner of the State Land Office; and patents shall be issued by the State for said lands, according to the laws thereto applicable.

And the said parties of the second part agree to be bound by all the provisions of the act first above mentioned, and the acts amendatory thereof, and the act providing for the appointment of the Board of Swamp Land State Road Commissioners, as well as by all the conditions of this contract.

The following, from section three of said first named act, is also hereby made a part of this contract:

“The Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor General, State Treasurer, Attorney General, and Commissioner of the State Land Office shall constitute a Board of Control, and shall have power and it shall be their duty, whenever, in their judgment, the public interest shall require it, to suspend the surveys and operations on any of said roads, or that of any roads to be hereafter constructed under the provisions of this act, and to direct re-surveys, with the view to the selection of more fit and convenient localities for the road; and to direct, from time to time, what work shall be commenced, suspended, or discontinued; and to extend the time for completing the work on any contract; and to correct all errors in contracts, whether of description or otherwise, and to allow interest on the unpaid amount of any existing contract for the payment of money, from and after the completion and acceptance of the work stipulated to be done in said contract; and this provision shall be embodied in every contract under this act.”

And the following, Sec. 14 of Act 177, Session Laws of 1871, is also made a part of this contract, viz: “Every contract made by said Board of Commissioners shall contain a provision, that no deficiency of swamp lands shall be so construed as to create any lien, or establish any claim against the State, except as to the lands above appropriated.”

It is also understood that this contract is subject to the approval of the said Board of Swamp Land State Road Commissioners, and shall only take effect upon such approval.

And it is further agreed and stipulated that if the said———shall, from any cause, fail or neglect to complete and finish said road at the time and in the manner provided in this contract, that the said State Board of Control shall have the right to declare this contract forfeited, and to direct the aforesaid Commissioner to re-let the construction of said road to some other responsible party; and it is also understood, between the parties hereto, that time shall be considered and treated as of the essence of this contract. And in case of the failure to complete said road as aforesaid, by the said———, he, the said———, hereby authorize the said Board of Control to cancel this contract, and also hereby relinquishes any right to compensation for work and labor and materials expended under the same.

The stipulations and covenants herein contained shall apply to and bind the assignees of the said party of the second part.

In witness whereof, the said parties have hereto set their hands, the day and year first above written.

——— [L. S.]
Local Commissioner.
 —— [L. S.]
 —— [L. S.]
 —— [L. S.]
 —— [L. S.]

[A.]

ACCEPTANCE BY LOCAL COMMISSIONER.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
 —— County, } ss. ——, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the Local Commissioner on —— Swamp Land State Road; and that he has personally examined the Job let to ——, as per contract No. ——, on the said Road from —— to ——, being —— miles of

said Road, and that he has found _____ of said Job fully completed in a good, workmanlike manner; that the materials used, and all parts of the work, are in accordance with the specifications of said contract; and that he has accepted the same, subject to the approval of the Board of Swamp Land State Road Commissioners and the Board of Control.

_____, *Local Commissioner.*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this ____ day of ____ 187—.

[The filing on the back is as follows:]

_____ Road. _____ Contractor. Accepted _____ 187—. Approved _____ 187—.

_____, *Board of Commissioners.*

Approved by Board of Control, _____ 187—.

_____, *Chairman.*

[B.]

[Under Act 177, of 1871.]

SWAMP LAND STATE ROAD COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, Mich., _____, 187—.

To the Auditor General of the State of Michigan:

We hereby certify that _____ Contractor— on the _____ Swamp Land State Road, ha— fully completed _____ miles of said Road, from _____ to _____ according to the specifications of _____ Contract, numbered _____, and that the work has been duly accepted and approved, entitling _____ to your Warrant for \$_____, to be paid in State Swamp Lands in the Lower Peninsula, according to the terms of said Contract and the laws applicable to said Road.

Given under our Hands and Seal, at Lansing, on the day and year above written.

_____,
 _____,

Board of Commissioners.

§——. Received of the Auditor General a Warrant upon the Treasurer of the State of Michigan, for the sum of _____ Dollars and — Cents, in full of the above. _____

Lansing, _____, 187—.

[The filing on the back is as follows:]

No. 1169. _____, Contractor. _____ State Road. Act 117, of 1859, and Amendments. Also, Section 6, Act 76, of 1867. §——. Approved by Board of Control, —, 187—. _____, *Chairman*.

[C.]

SWAMP LAND WARRANT.

[Land Warrant—Third Series.]

No. 1169. AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, {
Lansing, _____, 18—. }
Treasurer of the State of Michigan :

Pay to _____ or Bearer, _____ Dollars, in Swamp Land, in the _____, per Act No. 117, 1859, and amendments, and Section 6, Act 76, 1867, on the _____ State Road.

§——. _____,
Auditor General of the State of Michigan.

[D.]

SWAMP LAND WARRANT, THIRD SERIES.

No. 1169. To _____. Act 117, 1859, and Amendments, and Section 6, Act 76, 1867. _____ State Road. Lansing, _____, 18—. §——.

[E.]

No. 1169. STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE, §——.
Lansing, Mich., _____, 18—.

Received of _____ the sum of _____ Dollars, for Swamp Land in the _____ on contract No. _____ State Road.

_____,
Treasurer of the State of Michigan.

[Countersigned :]

_____,
Auditor General of the State of Michigan.

DATE.	CERTIF.	NAME.	ACRES.	DOLLARS.

[EXHIBIT YY.]

STATE OF MICHIGAN, AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, May 2, 1872.

Hon. Charles A. Edmonds, Commissioner of the State Land Office, Lansing, Michigan :

SIR,—In reply to your communication of this date, I have the honor to transmit herewith an abstract, giving the names, grade, and the amount paid clerks in the State Land Office for each month in the year 1870, as shown by the vouchers on file in this office.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

WM. HUMPHREY,

Auditor General, Michigan.

PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYEES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 1870.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	January.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson	Clerk.	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
4. W. A. Barnard..	"	"	75 00	W. A. Barnard.....	75 00
5. Elias Shafer....	"	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
6. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
7. T. B. Jewell....	"	"	75 00	T. B. Jewell	75 00
8. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
9. Wm. Crosby....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
10. E. S. Porter....	"	"	42 00	E. S. Porter.....	42 00
11. A. S. Stimson...	"	7 days.	20 87	A. S. Stimson.....	20 87

**PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE FOR THE MONTH
OF FEBRUARY, 1870.**

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	February.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson..	Clerk.	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson.....	75 00
4. T. B. Jewell....	"	"	75 00	T. B. Jewell.....	75 00
5. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
6. William Crosby..	"	"	75 00	William Crosby....	75 00
7. W. A. Barnard..	"	"	75 00	W. A. Barnard.....	75 00
8. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
9. E. S. Porter.....	"	14½ days.	42 00	E. S. Porter.....	42 00
10. Elias Shafer....	"	February.	42 00		

**PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF MARCH, 1870.**

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	March.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
3. W. A. Barnard..	Clerk.	"	75 00	W. A. Barnard.....	75 00
4. M. O. Robinson..	"	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson.....	75 00
5. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
6. Elias Shafer	"	Feb. & Mar.	150 00	Elias Shafer.....	150 00
7. William Crosby..	"	March.	75 00	William Crosby....	75 00
8. T. B. Jewell....	"	"	75 00	T. B. Jewell.....	75 00
9. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
10. E. S. Porter.....	"	14½ days.	42 00	E. S. Porter.....	42 00

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PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYEES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF APRIL, 1870.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	April.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddock..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddock.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson.	Clerk.	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
4. Elias Shafer....	"	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
5. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
6. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
7. W. A. Barnard..	"	"	75 00	W. A. Barnard.....	75 00
8. William Crosby.	"	"	75 00	William Crosby....	75 00
9. T. B. Jewell....	"	"	75 00	T. B. Jewell.....	75 00
10. E. S. Porter....	"	14½ days.	42 00	E. S. Porter.....	42 00
10. A. S. Stimson...	"	April 1 to 8.	20 87	A. S. Stimson ..	20 87

PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYEES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF MAY, 1870.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	May.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddock..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddock.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson	Clerk.	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
4. T. B. Jewell....	"	"	75 00	T. B. Jewell.....	75 00
5. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
6. Elias Shafer....	"	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
7. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
8. Wm. Crosby....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
9. W. A. Barnard..	"	"	75 00	W. A. Barnard.....	75 00
10. E. S. Porter....	"	14½ days.	42 00	E. S. Porter.....	42 00

**PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF JUNE, 1870.**

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	June.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson	Clerk.	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
4. Elias Shafer.....	"	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
5. W. A. Barnard..	"	"	75 00	W. A. Barnard.....	75 00
6. Wm. Crosby.....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
7. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
8. T. B. Jewell....	"	"	75 00	T. B. Judd.....	75 00
9. E. S. Porter.....	"	14½ days...	42 00	E. S. Porter.....	42 00
10. A. S. Stimson...	"	27 to 30 inc.	11 64		
11. M. B. Kent.....	"	June.	75 00		

**PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF JULY, 1870.**

NAME.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter	Deputy Com.	July.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson.	Clerk.	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
4. William Crosby..	"	"	75 00	William Crosby	75 00
5. M. B. Kent.....	"	June & July	150 00	M. B. Kent	150 00
6. C. L. Knight....	"	July.	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
7. W. A. Barnard..	"	"	75 00	W. A. Barnard.....	75 00
8. A. S. Stimson ..	"	June 27 to July 12	42 99	A. S. Stimson	42 99
9. E. S. Porter.....	"	July.	42 99	E. S. Porter	42 99
10. T. B. Jewell....	"	1 to 12 inc.	29 08	T. B. Jewell.....	29 08
11. Elias Shafer.....	"	18½ days	42 88	Elias Shafer	42 88

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PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1870.

NAMES,	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	August.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson.	Clerk.	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
4. A. S. Stimson....	"	"	75 00	A. S. Stimson.....	75 00
5. Wm. Crosby....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
6. Elias Shafer....	"	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
7. E. S. Porter.....	"	"	75 00	E. S. Porter.....	75 00
8. T. B. Jewell....	"	"	75 00	T. B. Jewell.....	75 00
9. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
10. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
11. G. B. Griswold..	"	Aug. 10 to 31 inclusive.	54 91	Geo. B. Griswold..	54 91
12. W. A. Barnard..	"	August.	75 00		

PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1870.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	September.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson	Clerk.	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
4. Elias Shafer....	"	"	65 00	Elias Shafer.....	65 00
5. Geo. B. Griswold	"	"	75 00	Geo. B. Griswold...	75 00
6. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
7. Wm. Crosby....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
8. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
9. W. A. Barnard..	"	Aug. & Sept	150 00	W. A. Barnard.....	150 00
10. E. S. Porter....	"	14½ days.	42 00	E. S. Porter.....	42 00
11. A. S. Stimson...	"	1 to 16, inc.	40 74	A. S. Stimson.....	40 74

**PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF OCTOBER, 1870.**

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	October.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson	Clerk.	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
4. Elias Shafer....	"	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
5. Wm. Crosby....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
6. Wm. A. Barnard	"	"	75 00	Wm. A. Barnard....	75 00
7. E. S. Porter....	"	"	75 00	E. S. Porter.....	75 00
8. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
9. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
10. Geo. B. Griswold	"	"	75 00	Geo. B. Griswold...	75 00

**PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF NOVEMBER, 1870.**

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	November.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson	Clerk.	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
4. Wm. Crosby....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
5. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
6. Geo. B. Griswold	"	"	75 00	Geo. B. Griswold...	75 00
7. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
8. Elias Shafer....	"	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
9. W. A. Barnard..	"	"	75 00	W. A. Barnard.....	75 00
10. E. S. Porter....	"	Nov. 1-16 in	40 00	E. S. Porter.....	40 00
11. T. B. Jewell	"	" 21-30 in	25 96	T. B. Jewell.....	25 96

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PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1870.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	December.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson	Clerk.	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
4. T. B. Jewell....	"	"	75 00	T. B. Jewell.....	75 00
5. W. A. Barnard..	"	"	75 00	W. A. Barnard.....	75 00
6. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
7. Elias Shafer....	"	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
8. G. B. Griswold..	"	"	75 00	Geo. B. Griswold..	75 00
9. Wm. Crosby....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
10. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
11. A. S. Stimson...	"	8 days.....	20 00		

STATE OF MICHIGAN, AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, May 17, 1872. }

Messrs. Shipman and McGowan, Attorneys, Lansing, Mich. :

GENTLEMEN—In response to yours of the 15th inst., I herewith transmit lists of the names of the clerks employed in the State Land Office during the years 1869 and 1871 and for the first four months of 1872, with a statement of amount paid the several clerks for each month.

Very respectfully,

WM. HUMPHREY.

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**PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF JANUARY, 1860.**

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter.....	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. D. M. Bagley.....	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	D. M. Bagley.....	88 88
3. Wm. A. Barnard.	Clerk.	"	75 00	Wm. A. Barnard....	75 00
4. A. E. Young.....	"	"	75 00	A. E. Young.....	75 00
5. H. S. Boutell....	"	"	75 00	H. S. Boutell.....	75 00
6. C. L. Knight.....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
7. M. O. Robinson..	"	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
8. Wm. Crosby.....	"	20th to 31st	20 00	Wm. Crosby.....	20 00
9. G. B. Griswold...	"	3 days.	8 68	G. B. Griswold.....	8 68

Clerks certified to by E. H. Porter, Deputy Commissioner.

**PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF FEBRUARY, 1860.**

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. D. M. Bagley ...	Book-keeper.	Half "	41 66	D. M. Bagley.....	41 66
3. H. L. Paddock..	"	Half "	41 66	H. L. Paddock.....	41 66
4. Wm. A. Barnard	Clerk.	One Month.	75 00	Wm. A. Barnard....	75 00
5. A. E. Young	"	"	75 00	A. E. Young.....	75 00
6. M. O. Robineon..	"	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson	75 00
7. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
8. William Crosby.	"	"	75 00	William Crosby....	75 00
9. Henry S. Boutell	"	"	75 00	Henry S. Boutell...	75 00
10. D. M. Bagley ...	"	One day.	3 12	D. M. Bagley.....	3 12
11. M. B. Kent.....	"	Four days.	11 50	M. B. Kent.....	11 50

Clerks certified to by E. H. Porter, Deputy Commissioner.

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PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1869.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the amounts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter.....	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddack...	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
3. Wm. A. Barnard..	Clerk.	"	75 00	Wm. A. Barnard....	75 00
4. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
5. Wm. Crosby.....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
6. M. O. Robinson..	"	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
7. A. E. Young.....	"	"	75 00	A. E. Young.....	75 00
8. H. S. Bontell....	"	"	75 00	H. S. Bontell.....	75 00
9. C. L. Knight.....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00

Clerks certified to by E. H. Porter, Deputy Commissioner.

PAY ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 1869.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter.....	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddack...	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
8. Wm. A. Barnard..	Clerk.	"	75 00	Wm A. Barnard....	75 00
4. M. O. Robinson..	"	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
5. A. E. Young.....	"	"	75 00	A. E. Young.....	75 00
6. C. L. Knight.....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
7. Henry S. Bontell..	"	"	75 00	Henry S. Bontell...	75 00
8. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
9. William Crosby..	"	"	75 00	William, Crosby....	75 00

Clerks certified to by E. H. Porter, Deputy Commissioner.

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**PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYEES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE FOR THE MONTH
OF MAY, 1869.**

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter.....	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddack....	Book-keeper,	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
3. Wm. A. Barnard..	Clerk.	"	75 00	Wm. A. Barnard....	75 00
4. M. O. Robinson...	"	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
5. C. L. Knight.....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
6. H. S. Boutell.....	"	"	75 00	H. S. Boutell.....	75 00
7. Wm. Crosby.....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
8. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00

Clerks certified to by E. H. Porter, Deputy Commissioner.

**PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYEES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF JUNE, 1869.**

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter.....	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$100 00	E. A. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddack....	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
3. Henry S. Boutell..	Clerk.	"	75 00	Henry S. Boutell...	75 00
4. M. O. Robinson...	"	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
5. C. L. Knight.....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
6. Wm. A. Barnard..	"	"	75 00	Wm. A. Barnard....	75 00
7. Wm. Crosby.....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
8. M. B. Kent	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
9. A. S. Stimson....	"	"	75 00	A. S. Stimson	75 00

Clerks certified to by E. H. Porter, Deputy Commissioner.

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PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 1869.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter.....	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddack....	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 00
3. Wm. A. Barnard..	Clerk.	"	75 00	Wm. A. Barnard....	75 00
4. A. S. Stimson....	"	"	75 00	A. S. Stimson.....	75 00
5. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
6. H. S. Boutell....	"	"	75 00	H. S. Boutell.....	75 00
7. M. O. Robinson..	"	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
8. Wm. Crosby.....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
9. C. L. Knight.....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00

Clerks certified to by E. H. Porter, Deputy Commissioner.

PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1869.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter.....	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddack....	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
3. Wm. A. Barnard..	Clerk.	"	75 00	Wm. A. Barnard....	75 00
4. M. O. Robinson..	"	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson....	75 00
5. H. S. Boutell....	"	"	75 00	H. S. Boutell.....	75 00
6. A. S. Stimson....	"	"	75 00	A. S. Stimson.....	75 00
7. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
8. C. L. Knight.....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
9. Wm. Crosby.....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00

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PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1899.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddock..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddock.....	88 88
3. Wm. A. Barnard	Clerk.	"	75 00	Wm. A. Barnard....	75 00
4. M. O. Robinson.	"	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson	75 00
5. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight	75 00
6. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	E. B. Kent.....	75 00
7. William Crosby.	"	"	75 00	William Crosby.....	75 00
8. Henry S. Boutell	"	"	75 00	Henry S. Boutell ...	75 00
9. E. S. Porter.....	"	11 days.	82 84	E. S. Porter	82 84
10. A. S. Stimson...	"	1st to 18th.	52 88	A. S. Stimson	52 88

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PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1899.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddock..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddock.....	88 88
3. W. A. Barnard..	Clerk.	"	75 00	W. A. Barnard.....	75 00
4. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
5. Wm. Crosby....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
6. H. S. Boutell....	"	"	75 00	H. S. Boutell.....	75 00
7. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
8. M. O. Robinson	"	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson.....	75 00
9. E. S. Porter.....	"	14½ days.	42 08	E. S. Porter.....	42 08

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PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1869.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddock..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddock.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson.	Clerk.	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson.....	75 00
4. Henry S. Boutell	"	"	75 00	Henry S. Boutell....	75 00
5. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
6. Wm. A. Barnard	"	"	75 00	Wm. A. Barnard....	75 00
7. William Crosby.	"	"	75 00	William Crosby.....	75 00
8. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
9. T. B. Jewell....	"	16th to 30th.	30 00	T. B. Jewell.....	30 00
10. E. S. Porter....	"	14½ days.	42 00	E. S. Porter.....	42 00

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PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1869.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$100 00	E. H. Porter.....	\$100 00
2. H. L. Paddock..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddock.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson	Clerk.	"	75 00	M. O. Robinson.....	75 00
4. H. S. Boutell....	"	"	75 00	H. S. Boutell.....	75 00
5. T. B. Jewell....	"	"	75 00	T. B. Jewell.....	75 00
6. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
7. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
8. Wm. Crosby....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
9. Wm. A. Barnard	"	"	75 00	Wm. A. Barnard. ..	75 00
10. E. S. Porter....	"	"	42 00	E. S. Porter.....	42 00
11. Elias Shafer....	"	½ month.	37 50	Elias Shafer.....	37 50

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PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 1871.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$116 66	E. H. Porter.....	\$116 66
2. H. L. Paddock..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddock.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson..	Clerk.	"	88 88	M. O. Robinson....	88 88
4. Elias Shafer.....	"	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
5. Wm. Crosby.....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
6. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
7. W. A. Barnard..	"	"	88 88	W. A. Barnard.....	88 88
8. G. B. Griswold..	"	"	75 00	G. B. Griswold.....	75 00
9. C. L. Knight.....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
10. Merritt Lewis...	"	6th to 81st.	42 35	Merritt Lewis.....	42 35
11. W. H. Porter....	"	7th to 81st.	41 50	W. H. Porter.....	41 50
12. J. B. Hamilton..	"	16th to 81st.	26 88	J. B. Hamilton.....	26 88
13. A. S. Stimson...	"	4 days.	12 00	A. S. Stimson.....	12 00

PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1871.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$116 66	E. H. Porter.....	\$116 66
2. H. L. Paddock..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. S. Paddock.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson..	Clerk.	"	88 88	M. O. Robinson....	88 88
4. Wm. A. Barnard	"	"	88 88	Wm. A. Barnard....	88 88
5. Wm. Crosby.....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
6. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
7. Elias Shafer.....	"	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
8. G. B. Griswold..	"	"	75 00	Geo. B. Griswold...	75 00
9. O. A. Bowen.....	"	6th to 28th.	61 64	O. A. Bowen	61 64
10. Van Dunham....	"	6th to 28th.	61 64	Van Dunham.....	61 64
11. J. B. Hamilton..	"	One Month.	60 00	J. B. Hamilton....	60 00
12. Merritt Lewis...	"	"	50 00	Merritt Lewis.....	50 00
13. W. H. Porter....	"	1st to 10th.	16 70	W. H. Porter.....	16 70
14. C. L. Knight.....	"	One Month.	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00

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PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1871.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter.....	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$116 66	E. H. Porter.....	\$116 00
2. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson	Clerk.	"	88 88	M. O. Robinson.....	88 88
4. Van Dunham...	"	"	75 00	Van Dunham.....	75 00
5. O. A. Bowen....	"	"	75 00	O. A. Bowen.....	75 00
6. G. B. Griswold..	"	"	75 00	G. B. Griswold.....	75 00
7. Elias Shafer....	"	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
8. Wm. Crosby.....	"	"	75 00	Wm. Crosby.....	75 00
9. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
10. Wm. A. Barnard	"	"	88 88	W. A. Barnard.....	88 88
11. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
12. J. B. Hamilton..	"	"	60 00	J. B. Hamilton.....	60 00
18. Merritt Lewis...	"	"	60 00	Merritt Lewis.....	60 00

PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 1871.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$116 66	E. H. Porter.....	\$116 66
2. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson.	Clerk.	"	88 88	M. O. Robinson....	88 88
4. W. A. Barnard..	Draughtsman	"	88 88	W. A. Barnard.....	88 88
5. Elias Shafer....	Clerk.	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
6. O. A. Bowen....	"	"	75 00	O. A. Bowen.....	75 00
7. Van Dunham...	"	"	75 00	Van Dunham.....	75 00
8. Geo. B. Griswold	"	"	75 00	Geo. B. Griswold...	75 00
9. J. B. Hamilton..	"	"	75 00	J. B. Hamilton	75 00
10. Merritt Lewis...	"	"	65 00	Merritt Lewis.....	65 00
11. William Crosby.	"	1st to 19th.	48 82	William Crosby....	48 82
12. A. S. Stimson...	"	1st to 8th.	20 87	A. S. Stimson.....	20 87
13. C. L. Knight....	"	One Month.	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
14. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00

**PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF MAY, 1871.**

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. E. H. Porter....	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$116 66	E. H. Porter.....	\$116 66
2. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 83	H. L. Paddack.....	88 83
3. M. O. Robinson	Clerk.	"	88 83	M. O. Robinson....	88 83
4. W. A. Barnard..	"	"	88 83	W. A. Barnard.....	88 83
5. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
6. H. B. Turner ...	"	"	50 00	H. B. Turner.....	50 00
7. Geo. B. Griswold	"	"	75 00	Geo. B. Griswold...	75 00
8. M. B. Kent.....	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
9. Elias Shafer....	"	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
10. J. B. Hamilton..	"	"	75 00	J. B. Hamilton.....	75 00
11. Van Dunham ..	"	"	75 00	Van Dunham.....	75 00
12. O. A. Bowen.....	"	"	75 00	A. O. Bowen.....	75 00
13. Merritt Lewis ...	"	"	75 00	Merritt Lewis	75 00

**PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF JUNE, 1871.**

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. W. A. Barnard..	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$116 66	W. A. Barnard.....	\$116 66
2. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 83	H. L. Paddack.....	88 83
3. Van Dunham....	Draughtsman	"	88 83	Van Dunham.....	88 83
4. M. O. Robinson.	Clerk.	"	88 83	M. O. Robinson....	88 83
5. C. L. Knight....	"	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
6. G. B. Griswold..	"	"	75 00	G. B. Griswold.....	75 00
7. M. B. Kent	"	"	75 00	M. B. Kent.....	75 00
8. O. A. Bowen.....	"	"	75 00	O. A. Bowen.....	75 00
9. J. B. Hamilton..	"	"	75 00	J. B. Hamilton.....	75 00
10. Elias Shafer ...	"	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
11. G. F. Gillman...	"	"	75 00	G. F. Gillman.....	75 00
12. Merritt Lewis...	"	"	75 00	Merritt Lewis	75 00
13. H. B. Turner....	"	"	60 00	H. B. Turner.....	60 00
14. W. H. Burdick..	"	19th to 30th	26 00	W. H. Burdick.....	26 00
15. A. S. Stimson...	"	26th to 30th	12 50	A. S. Stimson.....	12 50

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PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYEES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 1871.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. W. A. Barnard..	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$116 66	W. A. Barnard.....	\$116 66
2. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 83	H. L. Paddack.....	88 83
3. M. O. Robinson..	Reg. Clerk.	"	88 83	M. O. Robinson....	88 83
4. Van Dunham....	Draughtsman	"	88 83	Van Dunham.....	88 83
5. C. L. Knight....	Clerk.	"	75 00	C. L. Knight.....	75 00
6. Geo. F. Gillam..	"	"	75 00	Geo. F. Gillam.....	75 00
7. G. B. Griswold..	"	"	75 00	G. B. Griswold....	75 00
8. Elias Shafer....	"	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
9. Merritt Lewis...	"	"	75 00	Merritt Lewis.....	75 00
10. A. S. Stimson..	"	"	75 00	A. S. Stimson.....	75 00
11. O. A. Bowen....	"	"	75 00	O. A. Bowen.....	75 00
12. J. B. Hamilton..	"	"	75 00	J. B. Hamilton.....	75 00
18. H. C. Clarke....	"	15th to 31st.	37 50	H. C. Clarke.....	37 50
14. H. B. Turner....	"	One Month.	60 00	H. B. Turner.....	60 00
15. M. B. Kent.....	"	5 days.	62 50	M. B. Kent.....	62 50
16. W. H. Burdick..	"	"	65 00	W. H. Burdick....	65 00
17. I. S. Lampman..	"	17th to 31st.	25 00	I. S. Lampman.....	25 00

**PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYEES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF AUGUST, 1871.**

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. W. A. Barnard..	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$116 66	W. A. Barnard.....	.....
2. H. L. Paddock..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddock.....	.....
3. Van Dunham...	Draughtsman	"	88 88	Van Dunham.....	.....
4. M. O. Robinson	Reg. Clerk.	"	88 88	M. O. Robinson.....	.....
5. C. L. Knight....	Clerk.	"	88 88	C. L. Knight.....	.....
6. O. A. Bowen....	"	"	88 88	O. A. Bowen.....	.....
7. Geo. B. Griswold	"	"	88 88	Geo. B. Griswold....	.....
8. Merritt Lewis...	"	"	75 00	Merritt Lewis.....	.....
9. Geo. F. Gillam..	"	"	75 00	Geo. F. Gillam.....	.....
10. J. H. Hamilton..	"	"	75 00	J. H. Hamilton.....	.....
11. A. S. Stimson...	"	"	75 00	A. S. Stimson.....	.....
12. Henry C. Clark..	"	"	75 00	Henry C. Clark.....	.....
13. Elias Shafer....	"	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	.....
14. H. B. Turner....	"	"	70 00	H. B. Turner.....	.....
15. W. H. Burdick..	"	"	70 00	W. H. Burdick.....
16. I. S. Lampman..	"	"	60 00	I. S. Lampman.....
17. M. B. Kent.....	"	$\frac{2}{3}$ Month.	50 00	M. B. Kent.....

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PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1871.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. W. A. Barnard..	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$116 00	W. A. Barnard.....	\$116 00
2. H. L. Paddock..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddock.....	88 88
3. M. O. Robinson	Reg. Clerk...	"	88 88	M. O. Robinson.....	88 88
4. Van Dunham....	Draughtsman	"	88 88	Van Dunham.....	88 88
5. Elias Shafer....	Clerk.	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
6. J. B. Hamilton..	"	"	75 00	J. B. Hamilton.....	75 00
7. O. A. Bowen.....	"	"	88 88	O. A. Bowen.....	88 88
8. C. L. Knight....	"	"	88 88	C. L. Knight.....	88 88
9. H. C. Clarke	"	"	88 88	H. C. Clarke.....	88 88
10. Geo. B. Griswold	"	"	88 88	Geo. B. Griswold...	88 88
11. I. S. Lampman..	"	"	60 00	I. S. Lampman.....	60 00
12. H. B. Turner....	"	"	70 00	H. B. Turner.....	70 00
13. Geo. F. Gillam..	"	"	75 00	Geo. F. Gillam.....	75 00
14. A. S. Stimson...	"	"	75 00	A. S. Stimson.....	75 00
15. W. H. Burdick..	"	"	75 00	W. H. Burdick.....	75 00
16. Merritt Lewis...	"	"	75 00	Merritt Lewis.....	75 00

**PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYEES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF OCTOBER, 1871.**

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. W. A. Barnard..	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$116 66	W. A. Barnard.....	\$116 66
2. H. L. Paddock..	Book-keeper.	"	88 83	H. L. Paddock.....	88 83
3. M. O. Robinson..	Reg. Clerk.	"	88 83	M. O. Robinson.....	88 83
4. Van Dunham....	Draughtsman	"	88 83	Van Dunham.....	88 83
5. Henry C. Clarke	Clerk.	"	88 83	Henry C. Clarke.....	88 83
6. O. A. Bowen....	"	"	88 83	O. A. Bowen.....	88 83
7. Geo. F. Gillam..	"	"	88 83	Geo. F. Gillam.....	88 83
8. C. L. Knight....	"	"	88 83	C. L. Knight.....	88 83
9. G. B. Griswold..	"	"	88 83	G. B. Griswold.....	88 83
10. H. B. Turner....	"	"	75 00	H. B. Turner.....	75 00
11. Elias Shafer....	"	"	75 00	Elias Shafer.....	75 00
12. W. H. Burdick..	"	"	75 00	W. H. Burdick.....	75 00
13. R. B. DeViney..	"	Half Month.	87 50	R. B. DeViney.....	87 50
14. J. B. Hamilton..	"	One Month.	75 00	J. B. Hamilton.....	75 00
15. Merritt Lewis..	"	"	75 00	Merritt Lewis.....	75 00
16. I. S. Lampman..	"	"	65 00	I. S. Lampman.....	65 00
17. E. B. Wood.....	"	16th to 31st.	31 46	E. B. Wood.....	31 46
18. A. S. Stimson...	"	1st to 5th.	12 50	A. S. Stimson.....	12 50

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PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1871.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. W. A. Barnard..	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$116 66	W. A. Barnard.....	\$116 66
2. M. O. Robinson	Reg. Clerk.	"	88 88	M. O. Robinson....	88 88
3. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
4. Van Dunham...	Draughtsman	"	88 88	Van Dunham.....	88 88
5. H. C. Clarke....	Clerk.	"	88 88	H. C. Clark.....	88 88
6. O. A. Bowen....	"	"	88 88	O. A. Bowen.....	88 88
7. Geo. F. Gillam..	"	"	88 88	Geo. F. Gillam....	88 88
8. C. L. Knight....	"	"	88 88	C. L. Knight.....	88 88
9. G. B. Griswold..	"	"	88 88	G. B. Griswold.....	88 88
10. H. B. Turner....	"	"	75 00	H. B. Turner.....	75 00
11. Elias Shafer....	"	"	88 88	Elias Shafer.....	88 88
12. W. H. Burdick..	"	"	75 00	W. H. Burdick.....	75 00
13. R. B. DeViney..	"	"	75 00	R. B. DeViney.....	75 00
14. J. B. Hamilton..	"	"	75 00	J. B. Hamilton.....	75 00
15. Merritt Lewis...	"	"	75 00	Merritt Lewis.....	75 00
16. I. S. Lampman..	"	"	75 00	I. S. Lampman.....	75 00
17. E. B. Wood.....	"	"	55 00	E. B. Wood.....	55 00

**PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF DECEMBER, 1871.**

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. W. A. Barnard..	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$116 66	W. A. Barnard.....	\$116 66
2. M. O. Robinson..	Chief Clerk.	"	88 88	M. O. Robinson....	88 88
3. H. L. Paddock..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddock.....	88 88
4. Van Dunham...	Draughtsman	"	88 88	Van Dunham.....	88 88
5. H. C. Clarke....	Clerk.	"	88 88	H. C. Clarke.....	88 88
6. O. A. Bowen.....	"	"	88 88	O. A. Bowen.....	88 88
7. Geo. F. Gillam..	"	"	88 88	Geo. F. Gillam.....	88 88
8. C. L. Knight....	"	"	88 88	C. L. Knight.....	88 88
9. G. B. Griswold..	"	"	88 88	G. B. Griswold.....	88 88
10. H. B. Turner....	"	"	75 00	H. B. Turner.....	75 00
11. Elias Shafer....	"	"	88 88	Elias Shafer.....	88 88
12. W. H. Burdick..	"	"	75 00	W. H. Burdick.....	75 00
13. R. B. DeViney..	"	"	75 00	R. B. DeViney.....	75 00
14. J. B. Hamilton..	"	"	75 00	J. B. Hamilton.....	75 00
15. Merritt Lewis...	"	"	75 00	Merritt Lewis.....	75 00
16. I. S. Lampman..	"	"	65 00	I. S. Lampman.....	65 00

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PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYEES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF JANUARY, 1872.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. W. A. Barnard..	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$116 66	W. A. Barnard.....	\$116 66
2. M. O. Robinson.	Reg. Clerk.	"	88 88	M. O. Robinson	88 88
3. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack	88 88
4. Van Dunham ...	Draughtsman	"	88 88	Van Dunham	88 88
5. H. C. Clarke....	Extra.	"	88 88	H. C. Clarke.....	88 88
6. O. A. Bowen.....	"	"	88 88	O. A. Bowen.....	88 88
7. Geo. F. Gillam..	"	"	88 88	Geo. F. Gillam	88 88
8. Chas. L. Knight	"	"	88 88	Chas. L. Knight	88 88
9. Geo. B. Griswold	"	"	88 88	Geo. B. Griswold...	88 88
10. Elias Shafer....	"	"	88 88	Elias Shafer.....	88 88
11. H. B. Turner....	"	"	75 00	H. B. Turner.....	75 00
12. W. H. Burdick..	"	"	75 00	W. H. Burdick.....	75 00
13. R. B. DeViney..	"	"	88 88	R. B. DeViney.....	88 88
14. J. B. Hamilton..	"	"	75 00	J. B. Hamilton.....	75 00
15. Merritt Lewis...	"	"	75 00	Merritt Lewis.....	75 00
16. Ira S. Lampman	"	"	75 00	I. S. Lampman.....	75 00
17. E. B. Wood.....	"	22½ days.	56 66	E. B. Wood.....	56 66
18. H. P. Cherry....	"	One Month.	75 00	H. P. Cherry	75 00

PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF FEBRUARY, 1872.

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts oppo- site our respect- ive names.	Amount paid.
1. W. A. Barnard..	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$116 66	W. A. Barnard.....	\$116 66
2. M. O. Robinson	Reg. Clerk	"	83 88	M. O. Robinson....	83 88
3. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	83 88	H. L. Paddack.....	83 88
4. Van Dunham....	Draughtsman	"	83 88	Van Dunham.....	83 88
5. H. C. Clarke....	Extra.	"	83 88	H. C. Clarke.....	83 88
6. O. A. Bowen....	"	"	83 88	O. A. Bowen.....	83 88
7. Geo. F. Gillam..	"	"	83 88	Geo. F. Gillam.....	83 88
8. G. B. Griswold..	"	"	83 88	Geo. B. Griswold...	83 88
9. R. B. De Viney.	"	"	83 88	R. B. De Viney.....	83 88
10. Chas. L. Knight	"	"	83 88	Chas. L. Knight.....	83 88
11. Elias Shafer....	"	"	83 88	Elias Shafer.....	83 88
12. H. B. Turner....	"	"	75 00	H. B. Turner.....	75 00
13. W. H. Burdick..	"	"	75 00	W. H. Burdick.....	75 00
14. J. B. Hamilton..	"	"	75 00	J. B. Hamilton.....	75 00
15. H. P. Cherry....	"	"	75 00	H. P. Cherry.....	75 00
16. Merritt Lewis...	"	"	75 00	Merritt Lewis.....	75 00
17. E. B. Wood.....	"	"	50 00	E. B. Wood.....	50 00

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NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. W. A. Barnard..	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$116 66	W. A. Barnard.....	\$116 66
2. M. O. Robinson.	Reg. Clerk.	"	88 88	M. O. Robinson....	88 88
3. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
4. Van Dunham....	Draughtsman	"	88 88	Van Dunham.....	88 88
5. H. C. Clarke.....	Extra.	"	88 88	H. C. Clarke.....	88 88
6. O. A. Bowen.....	"	"	88 88	O. A. Bowen.....	88 88
7. C. L. Knight....	"	"	88 88	C. L. Knight.....	88 88
8. G. B. Griswold..	"	"	88 88	Geo. B. Griswold....	88 88
9. R. B. DeViney..	"	"	88 88	R. B. DeViney.....	88 88
10. Geo. F. Gillam..	"	12 days.	38 25	Geo. F. Gillam.....	38 25
11. Elias Shafer....	"	1 Month.	88 88	Elias Shafer.	88 88
12. Merritt Lewis..	"	"	75 00	Merritt Lewis.....	75 00
13. J. B. Hamilton..	"	"	75 00	J. B. Hamilton.....	75 00
14. H. P. Cherry....	"	12 days.	80 00	H. P. Cherry.....	80 00
15. H. B. Turner....	"	1 Month.	75 00	H. B. Turner.....	75 00
16. W. H. Burdick..	"	"	75 00	W. H. Burdick.....	75 00
17. E. B. Wood.....	"	16 days.	46 08	E. B. Wood.....	46 08

**PAY-ROLL OF EMPLOYEES IN THE STATE LAND OFFICE, FOR THE MONTH
OF APRIL, 1872.**

NAMES.	Grade.	Time.	Amount due.	Rec'd Warrants for the am'ts opposite our respective names.	Amount paid.
1. W. A. Barnard..	Deputy Com.	One Month.	\$116 66	W. A. Barnard.....	\$116 66
2. M. O. Robinson.	Reg. Clerk	"	88 88	M. O. Robinson....	88 88
3. H. L. Paddack..	Book-keeper.	"	88 88	H. L. Paddack.....	88 88
4. O. A. Bowen....	Extra Clerk.	"	88 88	O. A. Bowen.....	88 88
5. H. C. Clarke....	"	4-5 Month.	66 67	H. C. Clarke.....	66 67
6. Van Dunham...	Draughtsman	$\frac{1}{2}$ Month.	41 66	Van Dunham.....	41 66
7. Chas. L. Knight	Extra Clerk.	One Month.	88 88	Chas. L. Knight....	88 88
8. R. B. De Viney..	"	"	88 88	R. B. De Viney....	88 88
9. G. B. Griswold..	"	"	88 88	Geo. B. Griswold...	88 88
10. Geo. F. Gillam..	"	"	88 88	Geo. F. Gillam.....	88 88
11. H. B. Turner....	"	"	75 00	H. B. Turner.....	75 00
12. E. Shafer.....	"	"	88 88	Elias Shafer.....	88 88
13. M. Lewis.....	"	"	75 00	Merritt Lewis.....	75 00
14. J. B. Hamilton..	"	"	75 00	J. B. Hamilton.....	75 00
15. W. H. Burdick..	"	"	75 00	W. H. Burdick.....	75 00
16. H. P. Cherry....	"	"	75 00	H. P. Cherry.....	75 00
17. E. B. Wood.....	"	"	-----	-----	-----

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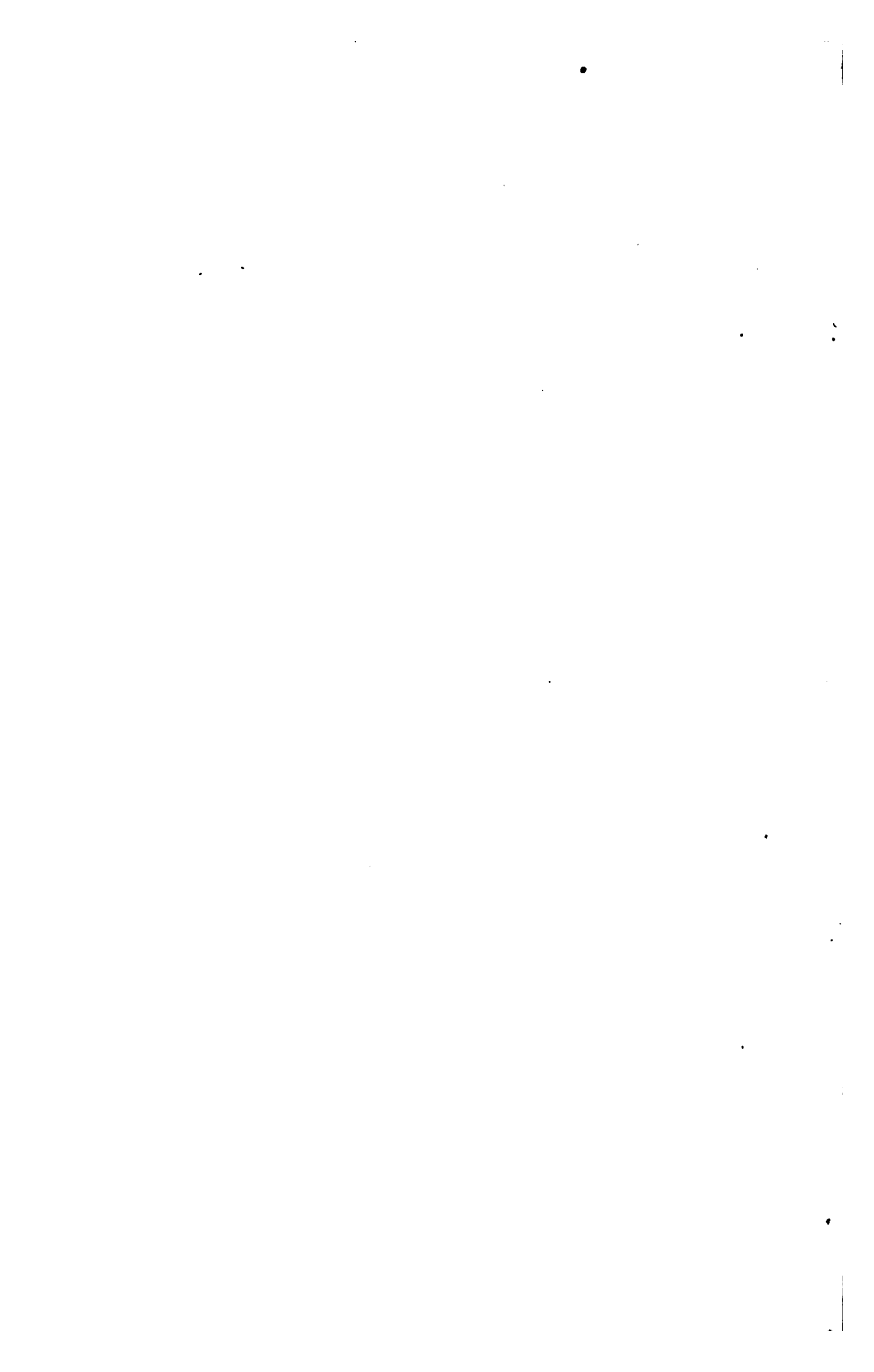
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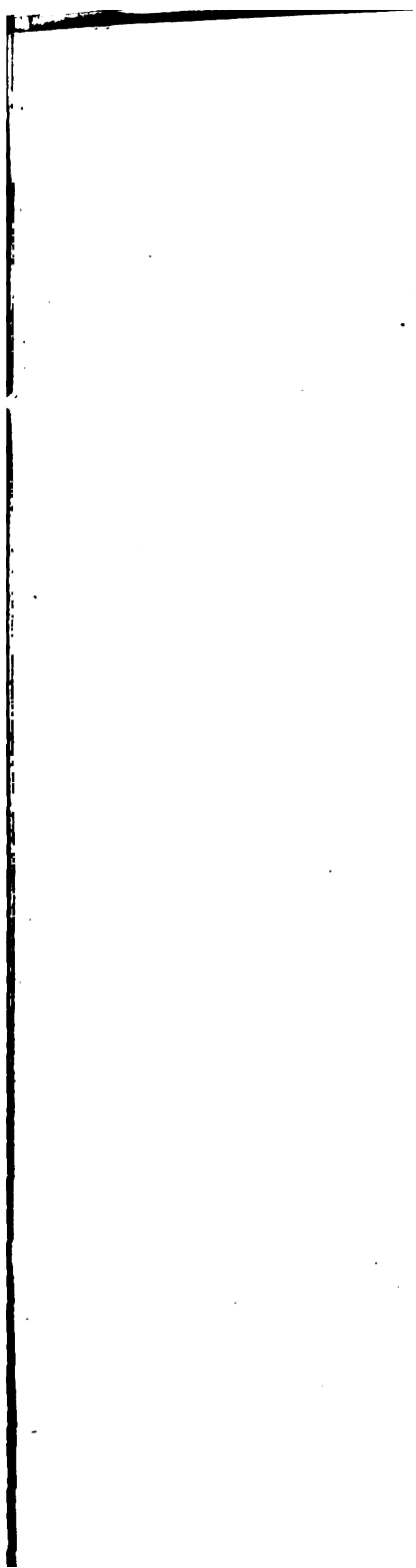
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